

December 2, 2023 5PM Saturday

To Love and Be Loved
An Inclusive Catholic Community, welcoming each and all as the beloved of God. We are ecumenical; we celebrate the rich heritage of Catholic spirituality while honoring all spiritual traditions. We Move for justice and peace and respond to the call of discipleship by loving deeply and rooting our lives in prayer and service.

Contacts:

Church of the Beloved 303-489-7046 Emergencies: Bishop Kae: 720-232-1562 Mother Alice: 719-573-4904 Deacon Buddy:720-556-6470 Bishop Paul: 720-254-2083 Ken Crosby 303-238-5175

Our Leadership:
Parish Council: Tammy Gabel,
Greg Goerke, Susan Reese,
Maryann Klasinski
Parish Council meetings vary
Synod Delegates:
Amy Frisbee, Alice Bradley,
Bishop Kae Madden. Susan
Gray, Bishop Paul Burson
Rocky Mountain Regional
Council Representatives: Alice
Bradley and Dennis Giblin.

Church of Beloved Ecumenical Catholic Community



Is 63:16b-17; 64:1,3-8; PS 80; 1 Cor 1:3-9: MK 13:33-37

During this Advent we are confronted again with the question so vital for us Christians: How alert are we to Christ's presence in our lives? One thing is sure: God is near to us – nearer than our breath. Will we commit, in these Advent days, to stay awake? To search for evidence of God, to recognize the Spirit in the many forms She is present among us: in our neighbor, in nature, in the events of life, even in our troubles and in God's own silence? In the midst of holiday tizzies, we are invited to become vigilant to God's presence, on the lookout for Holy Moments, not only in our own little world but in the Church and in the wide world.

Advent materials will be available at Mass this Saturday. Come and get 'em:)

On Call for Pastoral Emergencies Schedule.

Deacon Buddy is on call Nov 26 - Dec 2: 720.556.6470 Mother Kae is on call for Dec $3 - 9^{\text{th}}$ 720-232-1562 On call" means available-by phone 24 hours a day for urgent concern and emergencies. If you have an urgent need in the middle of the night, please CALL, as

Meetings are held the 1st Thursday

Ministry Teams

Social Justice –chair – rotating by project

We come together monthly in prayer and discussion to discern how to distribute our community's generous tithe and offer projects for our church members to serve those in need.

We meet once a month and day and time are flexible.

Marketing/Communication Chair –Ken B

Our goal is to be seen and heard by – and then inspire – potential members of COB.

Ongoing Spiritual Formation of Kids and Adults Ministry: To form our lives on the pattern of Jesus, growing disciples of all ages Chair – vacancy

Membership and Hospitality: To build relationships among members and welcome all as God's Beloved

Liturgy and Music – To gather as the Body of Christ to give thanks, be enlivened by the Word and song, be nourished and transformed, be strengthened by community, and to be sent out to a networking waiting world. Bishop Kae and Greg Madden, Marilyn Davey

Lector Coordinator Linda Pavlak and Tammy

Greeter Coordinator:Gail

Eucharistic Minister Coordinator-

Ministries of Care –
Grief and Loss - A ministry that
offers support for individuals and

we may not hear a text.

Both Kae and Alice usually take Sunday and Monday off.

VERY FEW WORDS FROM DEACON BUDDY Join Deacon Buddy for prayer and conversation on the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, Friday. Dec 8th at 7

p.m. on our regular Zoom link.



Advent is the first season in the Liturgical Year. It is also the time when the Catholic Church celebrates the Immaculate Conception. The feast is on December 8th and many Catholics (and others) either don't realize the significance of this day, or believe misconceptions about it. There is a common misconception that the Immaculate Conception refers to the birth of Jesus. The Immaculate Conception is actually about Mary. As the Church, under the guidance of the Holy Spirit,

deepened its understanding of the role of Mary in salvation history, there was a rising awareness that Mary, called "full of grace" by the angel Gabriel (Luke 1:28), was, at her conception, free from any taint of original sin. This was proclaimed a dogma of the Church by Pope Pius IX in 1854. Only four years after this dogma was proclaimed, the Blessed Mother appeared to a 14 year-old illiterate peasant girl, St. Bernadette in Lourdes, France. Unfortunately, she was ridiculed by local priests and those in her community, and no one believed her. But on the Solemnity of the Annunciation (March 25), after St. Bernadette continued to ask the lady in the vision to reveal her name, the Blessed Virgin extended her arms in the position seen on the Miraculous Medal, raised her eyes to heaven and said, "I am the Immaculate Conception."

From then on everyone believed Bernadette's claims, knowing that due to her lack of education she would not have known about Mary under that title, nor would she have been aware of the dogma that had been proclaimed by Pope Pius

IX. "O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to Thee." (Prayer on the Miraculous Medal given to St. Catherine Laboure). THE STATION OF THE CROSS WEBSITE

Power of Prayer - Praying the Rosary

Mary, Jesus' Mother has asked we pray the rosary. We will be having a weekly Rosary on Thursdays at 7PM on zoom to be led by Deacon Buddy. Please join us. Join our Meeting on our regular Zoom link.



December

- 2nd First Week of Advent, 5 p.m. Mass. We will vote on the 2024 parish budget.
- 3rd Sunday centering prayer and labyrinth walk at 7 a.m.
- 6th Our Advent Communal Reconciliation Service on Wednesday will begin at 2:45 p.m. with a labyrinth walk (weather permitting) and then a prayer service at 3:15 p.m.
- 7TH Rosary for Peace at 7 p.m. on zoom
- 8th Conversation with Deacon Buddy Immaculate Conception at 7 p.m. on zoom 12th Parish Council meeting at 4 p.m.
- 13th Social Justice Team meeting at 4:30 p.m. on Zoom
- 16th- Anawim meeting at 2:30 p.m. in the fellowship hall
- 16th -Mass for All Ages, Potluck party, and rehearsal for children and youth for Christmas Eve's liturgy.

families facing a life changing journey...Chair – Ken Crosby

Prayer Shawl Ministry –

A haling ministry of prayer and caring by knitting, crocheting, or sewing prayer shawls/blankets. - Linda Pavlak

Anawim Ministry-

LGBTQ+ (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Queer/Questioning+) support ministry for COB members, families, and friends. 3rd Saturday monthly at the Fellowship hall at 2:30PM Contacts: Ralph at rreschkeir@q.com or 303-425-9995 and Nick at pizzafmly@aol.com or 303-929-6213

Finance Ministry

Wise stewardship of the financial resources of the community Chairperson: Greg Goerke

Administration and Building Maintenance Ministry: the nitty gritty support that keeps us rolling along

Pastoral Care members: Greg Madden, Deacon Buddy, Ken Crosby, Alice Bradley, Christy Chady, and Kae Madden

Home Visits/Communion- We have both clergy and lay members who are happy to come to your home if you are sick, discouraged, isolated, or in need of a friend. Visitors may also bring Eucharist. Please contact Mother Kae or Ken Crosby if you would like a visit and we will set it up. We do not forget you and we respect your privacy – so don't hesitate to request a visit. Visits are confidential.

Listening Team

On rare occasions, when a conflict arises of a sensitive and/or ethical nature and the

23rd- Following our celebration of the 4th Week of Advent we will change our liturgical environment to "white" for Christmas. Many hands will make light work as we transition the seasons.

24th - Christmas Eve Mass will be at 3:30 p.m. in person and on zoom.

30th - Feast of the Holy Family.



'Tis the Season...... Let's be wise and care for each other with frequent hand washing and/or using hand sanitizer, consider wearing a mask, utilize the red, yellow, green bracelets when entering church to indicate your personal comfort level with close person contact, and, of course, if feeling unwell, participate from home on Zoom. Thanks for taking care of each other.



Advent Outreach: Spread LOVE in a thousand ways! And tell us about it! You are also invited to purchase a hoodie or flannel bottoms in adult sizes and bring them to church by December 9th. We will donate to Northglenn High School for students in need.

"HOLY MOMENTS": The books are available for pick up during Mass or out by the mail slot. Please join in reading this inspiring book as a community.



Mid week Mass:

Remember that we are celebrating Mass together via zoom on Wednesday mornings at 9:30 a.

Reminder: Audio recordings of the gospel proclamation and the homily are available on our website— to listen again or tune in if you missed it.



What do you want to post on a bulletin board at the church?: education, opportunities, thank you notes, etc. And if you want to post something, send it to Pat



Centering Prayer/Meditation And Labyrinth

Sunday Dec.3rd at 7:00 AM. We'll meet in the sanctuary and dress for walking the labyrinth . All are welcome. Contact Mother Alice for more info.

PREPARATION FOR LITURGY:

In person: We are grateful to be together and enjoying gathering in person. As you know, masks are optional. We have colored bracelets that can indicate your comfort level with hugs – green, yellow, and red.

Zoom-ers: There is a worship aid attached so that you may participate fully. If you are unable to join us in person, as you prepare your sacred space at home, you may want to "set your table" with a beautiful green_cloth, bring a cross, a candle, bread and wine/iuice.

For those who are so moved, we invite you to pray the prayer of Spiritual Communion:

issue cannot be resolved by normal means, the Parish Council may engage our 3-person Listening Team, an unbiased, confidential, investigative team. At the Church of the Beloved, we want you to know your voice will be heard.

Quick Links



ECC link: http://www.rmrc-ecc.com

COB link https://churchofthebeloved-ecc.org

Facebook: www.Facebook.com/ChurchOfTh eBelovedECC

Instagram: https://www.instagram.com/churc hofthebelovedecc/nstragram

USER NAME: churchofthebelovedecc

Bishop Kae is available by appointment Tuesday through Saturday and on call 24/7 unless notified otherwise.

Bishop Kae's email is: pastor@churchofthebeloved-ecc. org maddengk@msn.com

Pat: Church Key: 303-452-1553 Announcements in the bulletin must be in by Wednesday before distribution on Friday. Pat's email: rpt1553@aol.com Oh my Jesus, I turn toward the holy tabernacle in my heart where You live and love me. I love you. Come and visit me with Your grace. Spiritually come more fully into my heart. Purify me. Sanctify me. Make me more like You. May I receive You in your fullness and reflect You in the world. Amen

You are welcome to email the link below to friends and family, and please refrain from posting it on social media for security. It remains the same for every liturgy.

For Mass: Join Zoom Meeting

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/7195735454?pwd=VTI4V2ZYSVZrSzdSODE0Ull3emRjZz

Dial in by calling: _1 346 248 7799

Meeting ID: 719 573 5454 Passcode if requested: 10500



Hold my friends in Your care, Lord. Help them to remember that You will share their burdens when they place their confidence in you. Amen

The longer the letter, the less chance of it being read.