

August 26, 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 strive 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



21st Week of Ordinary Time

Isaiah 15, 19-23; Romans 11:33-36. Ps 138; Matthew 16:13-20

If we could see Jesus standing here before us, a man of flesh and blood, and he would ask us: "Who do you say I am?" what answer would we give him? Who is Jesus to you? And Jesus entrusts to Peter and we fragile human beings the keys to the kin\*dom of God. How are you handling the awesome responsibility of Inclusion?

Thank you for your prayers for Mother Alice and myself while we retreated to renew and refresh. We appreciate you surrounding us in grace. +Kae

## On Call for Pastoral Emergencies Schedule.

Bishop Kae on call August 20 - 26 - 720-232-1562

Mother Alice on call August 27 - Sept 2

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 we may not hear a text.

Both Kae and Alice usually take Sunday and Monday off.

# VERY FEW WORDS FROM DEACON BUDDY



Matthew 18:21--19:1) Jesus' parable about forgiveness can be challenging, especially when we've been deeply hurt by someone and are still struggling to forgive them. Sometimes it's difficult even to get to the point of wanting to forgive another person. We may have experienced the pain of abuse, betrayal, or neglect, but that pain is only magnified when we hold onto it. Then we become weighed down by bitterness and resentment. Extending forgiveness frees us from the prison of our

negative thoughts and feelings. It helps us to love others as Christ loves us.

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

Providentially, our ability to forgive does not depend only on us! The Lord promises that if we ask, God will soften our hearts and help us to begin moving along the path of forgiveness. Even so, it's important to keep in mind that forgiveness does not often come instantaneously. Pursuing it requires just as much patience and mercy with ourselves as it does for the ones who have wronged us. There will surely be moments when we fall back into anger and frustration. But each time we do, we can call on God and ask for more mercy and grace. It's a prayer that God loves to answer. "Not seven times but seventy-seven times" (Matthew 18:22). THE WORD AMONG US. JULY/AUGUST 2023

## **Church of the Beloved Listening Team**



We'd like to make you aware of the processes of conflict management within our community. When planning, policy or personality issues or concerns occur at our parish, Parish Council members and clergy are always there to address them and are your first point of contact. On rare occasions, another approach may be warranted due to the sensitive and/or ethical nature of the situation or the people

involved. If the issue cannot be resolved by normal means, for this reason, COB parish council appointed a 3-person Listening Team. As the name implies, this is an opportunity for you to express your concerns to an unbiased, confidential, investigative team, making sure people feel heard and concerns validated. At the Church of the Beloved, we want you to know your voice will be heard.



Thanks again for your generous support for the Fill A Belly, Fill a Backpack campaign. COB collected 23 backpacks, 375 school items and 352 misc. supplies! Totals for the 4 participating churches are 71 backpacks and 1,973 school supply items and 1,902 misc. supplies!!!



Alert: Starting on September 9th we will be reverting back to receiving parishioners' food donations directly at COB. That means when you come to church for COB's Feast Day celebration on that day, please bring any non-perishable food items along with you for the food bank. We will be delivering them to Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish's Food Bank. We thank you in advance for your generosity. Social Justice

Committee

#### Calling All Feast Day Volunteers! Thank you to those responding!

**September 9, 2023** is our 19<sup>th</sup> COB Feast Day Celebration and marks the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the ECC! Let's all pitch in to make it a memorable mass and feast! **Feast Day Volunteers Needed:** 

**Environment** –set up and take down in the sanctuary for a festive liturgy and potluck, table decorations and altar; **Feast** –help plan the main dish and beverages and all bring sides and desserts; **Music** –vocals, instruments; **Hospitality** – greeters, smiling faces to lead the way; **All Liturgical** ministers, on-site **Zoom tech**.

Please contact Tammy at 303-909-7260 (call or text)

# Prayer Shawl Ministry -

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

#### **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.



9<sup>TH</sup> Church of the Beloved Feast Day Celebration 5PM Mass and potluck.

19<sup>th</sup> – 6pm Tuesday **Zoom All-ECC Celebration of the ECC's 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary** – Join us in person at the church to watch/participate together

#### **OCTOBER 7TH**

In the way of St. Francis, blessing of our animals prior to Mass

#### Hats and Scarves, 2023!

The Prayer Shawl Ministry is announcing it's 2023 Hats and Scarves Social Justice project. Keep those hands busy. Our theme is "To share the warmth of God's Love to those in need from the border." Our collection of Hats and Scarves this year will be donated to the Colorado Hosting Asylum Network in the fall.



What boundaries or prejudices have you encountered and broken down?

#### **Quick Links**



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

COB link <a href="https://churchofthebeloved-ecc.o">https://churchofthebeloved-ecc.o</a> rg

Facebook: <u>www.Facebook.com/ChurchOfT</u> heBelovedECC

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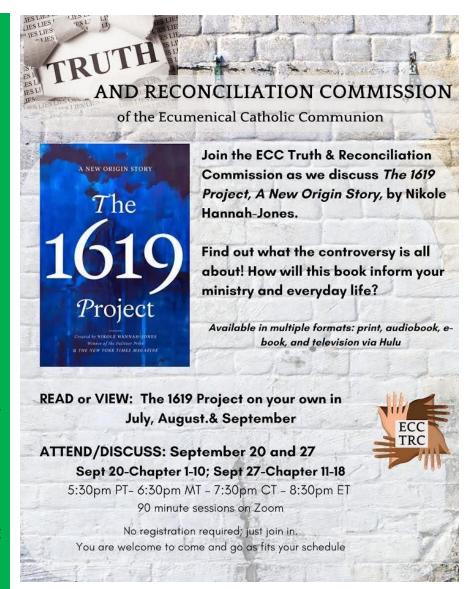
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Bishop Kae is available by appointment Tuesday through Saturday and on call 24/7 unless notified otherwise.

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





#### Mid week Mass:

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

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



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 Sept 3rd at 7:00 AM. Bring your own lawn chair. 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/juice.

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

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=VTI4V2ZYSVZrSzdSODE0Ull3 emRiZz09

Dial in by calling: 1 248 7799

Meeting ID: 719 573 5454 Passcode if requested: 10500



O Lord - thank You for the beauty of this world; for day of sunshine and days of rain. It is good to be alive in Your world, Amen

In some restaurants, the catch of the day is the waiter.