



September 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 strive for justice and peace and respond to the call of discipleship by loving deeply and rooting our lives in prayer and service.*

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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

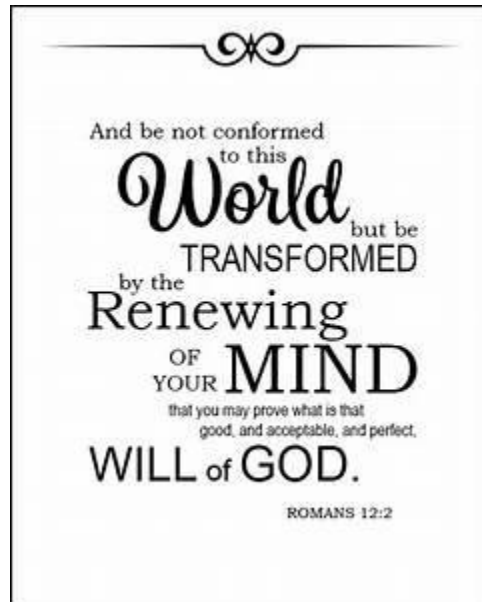
**Synod Delegates:**

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

22nd Week of Ordinary Time  
Jeremiah 20: 7-9; Ps 63; Romans 12:1-2; Matthew 16:21-27

St. Paul presents us with a powerful message from his Letter of to the Romans. In these two verses, St. Paul invites us to reflect on the



transformative power of the renewing of our minds and its effect upon our faith. St. Paul begins by urging us to offer ourselves as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God. This call to sacrifice is not about offering external things, but rather about offering our life, our very existence, as an act of worship. It is a reminder that our faith is not meant to be a mere intellectual exercise or a set of ideals, or rituals, but a way of life that encompasses every aspect of our being.

**FEAST DAY next Saturday...see below : )**

**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.**

Mother Alice on call August 27 – Sept 2  
Deacon Buddy on call Sept 3 – 9<sup>th</sup>, 720-556-6470

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.

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

## VERY FEW WORDS FROM DEACON BUDDY

On September 3, 2016, I was incardinated (a fancy word for "received") into the ECC as a permanent deacon. This means I will be celebrating 7 years as a deacon in the ECC and Church of the Beloved. This is my longest stint at any one church. I came close to 7 one other time, but no cigar. One of the major contributing factors to this longevity is the pastoral leadership of Bishop Kae. Basically, she tolerates my eccentricities. It's been an interesting combination, the pairing of a gentle farm girl from Nebraska with a New Jersey suburban street rat. Somehow it works. She is to be someday sainted for carefully managing me, as is my lovely wife Stephanie. Honorable mentions to Bishop Pablo and Mother Alice for their support. It's been great working alongside such dedicated and compassionate clergy. Also, they laugh at the right moments during one of my humorous asides. Having a sense of humor helps in attempting to navigate a relationship with me. Lastly, and perhaps mainly, I would like to thank the community of the Church of the Beloved for their love and support. Bonds of friendship have been formed during the past 7 years. I received many words of love and encouragement when I "almost retired" this past Spring. Let's face it, if I didn't like you I wouldn't still be here! May we continue to keep working together to make COB an even better place than it already is. And may I have another 7 years of ministry left in me. Christy is going to need a deacon too!

## 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.



**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. **Feast** –all bring sides and desserts; **Music** –vocals, instruments; **Hospitality** –smiling faces.

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

**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.

### 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 at the home of Amy and Scott Frisbie

### OCTOBER 7TH



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



### POTLUCK SCHEDULE:

SEPT . 9

OCTOBER 14

NOVEMBER 11

DECEMBER 16

JAN 13

FEB 10

MAR 9

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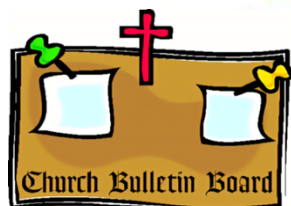
### Mid week Mass:

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 avail

able 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



**What boundaries or prejudices have you encountered and broken down?**



## Quick Links



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

COB link  
<https://churchofthebeloved-ecc.org>

Facebook:  
[www.Facebook.com/ChurchOfTheBelovedECC](http://www.Facebook.com/ChurchOfTheBelovedECC)


Instagram:  
<https://www.instagram.com/churchofthebelovedecc/nstagram>

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:  
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**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](mailto:rpt1553@aol.com)



**TRUTH**  
**AND RECONCILIATION COMMISSION**  
of the Ecumenical Catholic Communion

Join the ECC Truth & Reconciliation Commission as we discuss *The 1619 Project, A New Origin Story*, by Nikole Hannah-Jones.


Find out what the controversy is all about! How will this book inform your ministry and everyday life?

Available in multiple formats: print, audiobook, e-book, and television via Hulu

**READ or VIEW: The 1619 Project on your own in July, August.& September**

**ATTEND/DISCUSS: September 20 and 27**  
**Sept 20-Chapter 1-10; Sept 27-Chapter 11-18**  
5:30pm PT- 6:30pm MT - 7:30pm CT - 8:30pm ET  
90 minute sessions on Zoom

No registration required; just join in.  
You are welcome to come and go as fits your schedule



## 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*

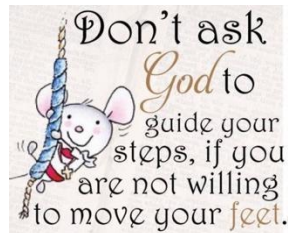
more fully into my heart. Purify me. Sanctify me. Make me more like You. May I receive You in your fullness and reflect You in the world. Amen  
You are welcome to email the link below to friends and family, and please refrain from posting it on social media for security. It remains the same for every liturgy.

**For Mass:** Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/7195735454?pwd=VTI4V2ZYSVZrSzdSODE0UII3emRjZz09>

Dial in by calling: +1 248 7799

Meeting ID: 719 573 5454 Passcode if requested: 10500



*Dear Lord \_ make me aware when opportunity knocks and give me the courage to respond and take a risk.  
Amen*

*What is more embarrassing than barking up the wrong tree??*