

# Church of Beloved Ecumenical Catholic Community



December 7, 2024  
5:00 PM

## **To Love and Be Loved**

*An Inclusive Community welcoming each and all s 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 in prayer and service.*

## **Contacts:**

Church of the Beloved  
303-489-7046

Emergencies:

Bishop Kae: 720-232-1562

Mother Alice: 719-573-4904

Bishop Paul: 720-254-2083

## **Our Leadership:**

Parish Council: Tammy Gabel, Greg Goerke, Susan Reese, Maryann Klasinski Toni Talarico  
Parish Council meetings vary

## **Synod Delegates:**

Amy Frisbee, Alice Bradley, Fr. Frank Quintana, Toni Talarico, Tammy Gabel, Linda and Frank Pavlak

## **Rocky Mountain Regional Council**

**Representatives:** Alice Bradley and Dennis Giblin. Meetings are held the 1st Thursday

## **SECOND WEEK OF ADVENT**

**Baruch 5:1-9; Ps 126; Philippians 1:4-6, 8-11; Luke 3:1-6**



## **Waiting in Joy-full Hope!**

We look around at our personal lives, the lives of those we know, our communities, our world and we pause in silence. How do we choose JOY in the midst of all the pain and fear? A choice, my friends. We **choose** to believe that God will bring to fulfillment the good work that has begun – in you, in me, in us.

Contrary to what might be right in front of us, there **is** a straight path being made in the wilderness. Reach for the hand of another in community and **HOLD ON** - to hope, love and compassion.

## **On Call for Pastoral Emergencies Schedule.**

Bishop Kae 720-232-1562 on call Dec 6-Dec 16th

“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.

- **Advent DAILY reflection booklets are available this Saturday.** Please check off your household name when you pick it up.
- **Those of you who often join Mass by Zoom may take a new music book home so that you may participate fully. We mailed to many.**
- If you are unable to be present on Saturday, the booklets and music books are outside by the mail slot until December 7<sup>th</sup>. Please check your household off the list.



## **The Mass of the Resurrection for Irene Bradley (Mother Alice's mother)**

will be celebrated Wednesday, December 11 at 10:30 a.m. followed by a light lunch. Volunteers are needed to bring desserts, set up the fellowship hall, prepare beverages and serve. Please sign up this Saturday or call Tammy at 303.909.7260.

## 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 720-3232-1562, Marilyn Davey

### Lector Coordinator

Linda Pavlak and Tammy

### Greeter Coordinator:

### Eucharistic Minister Coordinator-

### Ministries of Care –

**Grief and Loss** - A ministry that offers support for individuals and families facing a life changing journey...Chair –vacancy

### Prayer Shawl Ministry –

A healing 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 members, families, and friends.

Meets on the 3rd Saturday monthly at the Fellowship hall at 2:30PMContacts: Ralph at [treschkejr@g.com](mailto:treschkejr@g.com) or



Thursdays: Rosary for Peace at 7 p.m. on our regular Zoom link

7<sup>th</sup> Second week of Advent

10<sup>th</sup> Parish Council meeting at 4 p.m.

11<sup>th</sup> Social Justice meeting at 2 p.m.

14<sup>th</sup> Third week of Advent

19<sup>th</sup> Communal Reconciliation service at noon and 6:30 p.m. (If you are unable to participate in person,

please call Kae or Alice to set up a time for a phone sacramental interaction).

21<sup>st</sup> Anawim – LGBTQ+ family support meeting at 2:30 p.m.

21<sup>st</sup> Mass for All Ages, approval of 2025 budget, followed by potluck, and

practice for Christmas Eve

24<sup>th</sup> Christmas Eve Mass for All Ages at 3 p.m. family-friendly

25<sup>th</sup> Christmas morning Mass at 9 a.m. contemplative

28<sup>th</sup> Feast of the Holy Family

### January

1<sup>st</sup> 9:30 a.m. Mass in person and on Zoom

4<sup>th</sup> Epiphany



**The Social Justice team has decided on 1 very practical and essential option for Advent Outreach for**

**2024.** Giving Tree tags are available. *When you have delivered the items on your gift tag, please place the tag on our tree.* It will be fun to watch the tree come to life with

generosity and compassion.

- We have joined with NUCC to provide food items for students during the Christmas break at **Stukey Elementary School, on Grant Drive**. This population has many needs and receive breakfast and lunch at school. During the break, many will be food insecure. They have requested nutritious shelf stable products such as soup, peanut butter, mac and cheese, tuna, refried beans, etc. Please bring to the church between Nov. 30-Dec. 14th. What is received will be delivered Dec. 19.
- We are postponing our partnership with **Casa de Paz Colorado**, a support group that assists ICE detainees until Lent. The Social Justice team asks for your support during this holy season and thanks you for your participation as you are called and able.

*Thank You!*

Greetings to all! As the new Eucharistic Minister coordinator, I want to thank everyone who has signed up through our stewardship form. I also would like to ask other community members to consider and pray about serving as Eucharistic Minister (EM). Prior experience is not necessary;

we will provide training for you, and then have a more in-depth training with all EMs after the new year. We're hoping another 3-4 people will sign up as EMs, which would mean a commitment of serving about every 6 weeks. Please contact Deacon Christy with any questions or for more information. Thank you!

### **Power of Prayer** – Praying the Rosary



Mary, Jesus' Mother has asked we pray the rosary for peace. We pray a weekly Rosary on Thursdays at 7PM on our regular zoom link. *Thank you.*

And/or pray the Rosary with Church of Holy Family on Wednesdays at 6:00 pm. With Cara Thompson Join Church of the Holy Family's Zoom Meeting: [link](#).

303-425-9995 and Nick  
at [pizzafmly@aol.com](mailto: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, 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 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 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.

### Church Council News:

Your council will be meeting Tuesday, **December 10<sup>th</sup>** in the Fellowship Hall. These meetings are open to all. All are welcome

#### CHURCH OF THE BELOVED Monthly Financial Summary For The Month of October, 2024

	Monthly		Year-To_Date	
	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget
<b>Income</b>				
Member Offerings	5,220	6,583	69,865	65,832
Fund Raising & Other Income	0	292	4,052	2,918
Interest & Dividends	19	83	113	832
Special Appeals	0	292	1,927	2,918
Total Income	5,239	7,250	75,957	72,500
<b>Expenses</b>				
Rent & Insurance	1,208	1,192	12,271	11,920
ECC Tithe, Conference, Vicar Stipend	1,518	959	10,733	9,590
Social Justice	2,145	527	6,879	5,270
Religious Education	42	42	121	420
Liturgy, Music, Presider Stipend	1,417	400	3,720	4,000
Office, Bookkeeping, Meeting	216	235	2,001	2,350
Pastor & Associate Salary, Retreat	3,567	3,700	36,345	37,000
Other Expenses	0	195	691	1,950
Total Expenses	10,113	7,250	72,761	72,500
Excess (Deficiency) Income Over Expense	-4,874	0	3,196	0

**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.

### COB Formal Membership

Are you interested in becoming a formal member of the Church of the Beloved Community? Want to know more about what that means?

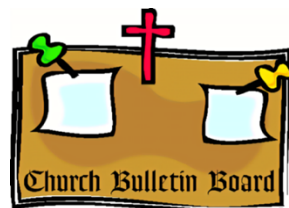
Text, call or email Mother Alice at 719-573-4904

[alice.bradley@UCDenver.edu](mailto:alice.bradley@UCDenver.edu)



### Midweek Mass:

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



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 January 5<sup>th</sup> 7:00 AM. All are welcome.

PREPARATION FOR LITURGY.

## 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)

Instragram:  
<https://www.instagram.com/churchofthebelovedecc/instragram>  
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](mailto:pastor@churchofthebeloved-ecc.org)  
[maddengk@msn.com](mailto: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](mailto:rpt1553@aol.com)

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 **BLUE** 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=VTI4V2ZYSVZrSzdSODE0UIl3emRjZz09>

If you would like to **dial in by phone without video**, call 1 346 248 7799. You will then be asked to enter the Meeting ID: 719 573 5454

Passcode if requested: 10500

**HOW TO SIGN UP FOR MINISTRIES ON OUR WEBSITE:** Here are the steps to the new ministry signup process (which is through our COB website):

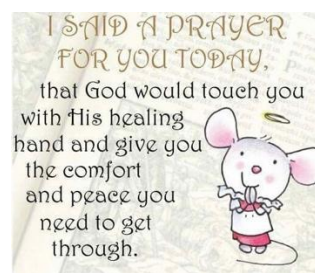
1. Register with your name and email and create a password

at <https://churchofthebeloved-ecc.org/register/>

2. Click on your name in the lower right corner, then click on the “Sign Up” button.

3. Select the signup(s) you'd like to sign up for, then scroll to the top and click “Save and Continue.” It will automatically add your name and email address. However, if you are signing up for another family member, you can change this information.

You will need to be logged in to see the signup list and add/delete signups. The URL that can be bookmarked for this (after registering) is: <https://churchofthebeloved-ecc.org/signup>. If you are not logged in, it will prompt you to do so. If you have questions, contact Christy. Thank you!



*Lord – be with my friends when they are troubled. Let them find comfort in Your*



*sheltering arms. Teach me the right words  
that will console and give support. Amen*

If you don't know who's to blame,  
you are!