



# St. Boniface Martyr Roman Catholic Church

Established 1898 ~ Sea Cliff, NY

Serving the people of God in Sea Cliff,  
Glen Head, Glenwood Landing, Glen Cove  
and surrounding communities.

Reverend Kevin J. Dillon, Pastor

*We are a pilgrim people on a journey  
toward the Kingdom of God.*

*Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid. Jn 14*

## Sixth Sunday of Easter ~ May 17, 2020

### Parish Information

**Parish Center:** IN ACCORDANCE TO NY STATE REGULATIONS, THE PARISH OFFICE IS CLOSED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.

*All voice mail messages are forwarded and will be returned during regular business hours: (516) 676-0676.*

*All emails are read and will be answered during regular business hours: [stbonchurch@gmail.com](mailto:stbonchurch@gmail.com)*

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**Parish Outreach:** Call Jody Fleischmann and David Meagher at (516) 676-0676 x125. Messages are received and will be returned ASAP.

**St. Vincent de Paul Society:** Call Linda Zavaro at (516) 676-0676 x124. Messages are received and will be returned ASAP.

**Bereavement Support Group:** Call David Meagher at (516) 676-0676 x131. Messages are received and will be returned ASAP.

**Webmaster:** Robert Lynch; [www.saintboniface.org](http://www.saintboniface.org); [stbonweb@gmail.com](mailto:stbonweb@gmail.com) or text/call 516-782-7494

**Parish Registration:** We welcome new members to our parish family. Please contact the office.

**Baptism:** Please contact the office to arrange an interview and class. Godparents must have received the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Eucharist, Confirmation) and live in harmony with the Catholic Church.

**Matrimony:** Engaged couples are to call the parish office before any other arrangements are made. A minimum of six months is needed for marriage preparations.

**CYO:** Kevin Kelly; 516-676-0676 x 122. Messages are received and will be returned ASAP.

**Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA):** An ongoing process of formation for those interested in becoming Catholic. Email Jane Serpico at [stbonRCIA@gmail.com](mailto:stbonRCIA@gmail.com) or call the parish office at (516) 676-0676 x130. Messages are received and will be returned ASAP.

**The Sisters of Jesus the Savior:** 676-0676 x101

**Diocese of Rockville Centre**

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*Visit [www.saintboniface.org](http://www.saintboniface.org) and the St. Boniface Facebook page for more information.*

## Online Masses

**Public Masses remain suspended. 9am Masses Wednesdays through Saturdays and 10:30am Sunday Masses are live streamed on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/StBonifaceMartyr/](http://www.facebook.com/StBonifaceMartyr/)**

### **Sixth Sunday of Easter, May 17, 2020**

*Acts 8:5-17; Ps 66:1-20; 1 Pet 3:15-18; John 14:15-21*

**5pm Mass:** Robert "Bob" McGurn, Rose, John, Peter McCarthy

**10:30am Mass:** Dennis Imbesi, Thomas Brady; *Mother's Day Novena*

*Intentions:* Marie Agosta, Anastasia Banach, Randa Barrington, Mary Bartell, Eileen Boris, Ann Brady, Mae Brantuas, Grace Brennan, Dina Byrne, Karen Byrne, Amelia Castellano, Antionette Churillo, Rose Coco, Winifred Dinapoli, Cecilia Palettella Drowica, Elizabeth Eggers, Rose Eggers, Theresa Evans, Grace Fanning, Anna Ferguson, Nellie Furlong, Jennie Graziose, Mary Louise Graziose, Grace Greenwood, Margaret Gregson, Barbara Ann Grella, Anna Herring, Veronica Hoffman, Irene Hsu, Linda Izzo, Agnes Kim, Joanna Kim, Estelle Kostynick, Mrs. Lorraine Kutch, Nicole Lipp, Ingrid Lund, Elizabeth Murphy McDonald, Janet McKinnon, Mary Malone, Kathleen Martin, Lina Martin, Maria Martin, Marylouise Martin, Jennie Martone, Patricia Merrick, Mary Meyer, Ann Micucci, Helen Miller, Katherine Miller, Stephanie Miller, Camille Miritello, Regina Miritello, Mirsanico Mocketas, Maureen Murphy, Mary Nadurak, Mary Nolan, Carol Ann O'Keefe, Mary E. O'Shea, Hilda Palomo, Catherine Pidal, Ellen Quinn, Anna Dooley Rannou, Adelaide Kathleen Reed, Rose Ross, Mary Sasso, Fannie Serafini, Maryanne Shannon, Jennifer Sheridan, Kathy Sheridan, Mary Serpico, Alycia Skedgell, Bertha Skedgell, Anne Sobieski, Anna Talotta, Shelia Webster, Katherine Weinstein, Lee White, Eileen Woods; Ruth, Irene, Kim; Dunlop, D'Emic, Lydon and Freedland family Mothers.

**Monday, May 18:** Memorial of St. John I

*Acts 16:11-15; Ps 149:1-9; John 15:26-16:4*

*Mass Intention: Mother's Day Intentions*

**Tuesday, May 19**

*Acts 16:22-34; Ps 138:1-8; John 16:5-13*

*Mass Intention: Mother's Day Novena Intentions*

**Wednesday, May 20:** St. Bernardine of Siena

*Acts 17:15-18:1; Ps 148:1-14; John 14:16; John 16:12-15*

**9am Mass**

**Ascension Thursday, May 21:** St. Christopher Magallanes/Companions

*Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47:1-9; Eph 1:17-23; Matt 28:16-20*

**9am Mass** Intention: Michael J. Solomito, Jr.

**Friday, May 22:** Memorial of St. Rita of Cascia

*Acts 18:9-18; Ps 47:1-7; Luke 24:26,46; John 16:20-23*

**9am Mass**

**Saturday, May 23**

*Acts 18:23-28; Ps 47:1-10; John 16:23-28*

**9am Mass**

## News

### **"Drive By" Blessings**

Blessings will be given in front of the Church from 9:45am to 10:15am and again from 12 noon until 12:20pm every Sunday. Please read the following directions if you wish to participate: The blessings will be done as a "drive by." Simply slow down and Father will sprinkle Holy Water and make the sign of the cross. Please do not stop or exit your vehicle. If people get out of their vehicles or walk up to the church, all blessings will stop. Please be respectful of others and our clergy. If all goes well, the blessings will continue every Sunday, weather permitting. Many thanks to Fr. Kevin, Fr. Perera and Fr. Azubuike for this wonderful gift!

### **5pm Monday Night Rosary**

The Rosary will be prayed every Monday in May at 5pm, except 10:30am Memorial Day, on Zoom and Facebook live. Please join us and increase the power of our prayers! For those using Zoom, the ID number is 921-737-0728.

### **St. Boniface Rosary Garden**

Open for private prayer Tuesdays and Wednesdays 8am - 2pm; Saturdays and Sundays 12pm- 6pm.

### **Important Announcement**

After much prayer and deliberation, it has been decided that our Parish will not be hosting or participating in any of the public social gatherings we are usually involved in. These include the Feast by the Shore, St. Boniface Feast Day activities, Sea Cliff Garage Sale Day, St. Boniface Fall Yard Sale, Mini-Mart and all such similar activities. We feel this is in the best interest of our parish and the health and safety of the wider community. Thank you for your understanding and support.

## Preparation for Reopening Public Masses

### Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The Coronavirus has affected society and the Church in ways unlike anything we have experienced in our lifetimes. None of us could have imagined the impact on our families, our livelihoods, and our practice of the Faith. As treatments for the sick and potential vaccines are developed, it is important that we act prudently for everyone's wellbeing, body and soul.



**What has the Church been doing?** Hospital chaplains have heroically ministered to the sick throughout this crisis and parish food pantries continue to support those most in need. Your priests have adapted as best they can to the limits of "distance ministry" while struggling to manage the devastating impact on our parishes and schools. Catholic school teachers, administrators and Faith Formation volunteers are admirably upholding standards of excellence while keeping our children engaged online. Catholic Charities is addressing the physical and emotional needs of people around the clock. We know that there is a hunger to return to public Mass and the celebration of the Sacraments. Pray that this hunger spreads among active and inactive Catholics, so that our Churches may soon be filled and experience a lasting renewal when we reemerge.

**The challenges facing us:** Much is still unknown about the virus and how best to deal with it. As a result, many decisions are actually judgment-calls based on a review of the information available. What is known is that the virus is deadly, particularly for the elderly and vulnerable. As of this writing, nearly 75,000 have contracted the virus and over 3,500 souls have returned to God, just within the territory of our Diocese. May our Heavenly Father welcome them and comfort their families. Our hospital systems, front-line doctors, nurses and support staffs were very nearly overrun.

All of this leaves us with an enormous challenge: **when and how to reestablish public liturgies in a way that does not irresponsibly place the common good and the health of our people in grave danger.** These are serious moral issues. If we can protect the sanctity of human life and the stability of our healthcare system by cooperating with sensible limitations and safety practices, then we have a moral obligation to do so.

This is not a surrendering of our right to practice our Faith. It is an exercise of our moral responsibility for the common good. Therefore, we are carefully forming our plan for the reopening of public Mass in consultation with medical experts and civil authorities who share in our responsibility for the common good.

**The Holy Mass:** The Holy Mass is the sacrifice of Jesus Christ for our Salvation. The Mass unites us to the sacrifice of Christ, the gift of himself to the Father for us. Spiritual Communion, which has been a continual part of the Church's theology through Saints Augustine, Aquinas, John Vianney, John Paul II and others, has allowed us to remain united to the Lord's Body and Blood, offered daily by our priests, even when we are not physically present or do not physically receive Holy Communion.

**Considerations for Reopening:** The conditions on Long Island are being carefully monitored and preparations are being made. **However, we do not yet have a date for reopening public Masses.** Medical experts and civil authorities have urgently asked that congregate gatherings of any size remain suspended until we better understand the risks and how they are managed.

When it is determined that we can gather for Mass with reasonable safety, it will likely involve precautions that will require everyone to make sacrifices. However, the Mass is not our "personal possession". It is a gift from God entrusted to the Church. Therefore, the dignity of the Mass and the Church's liturgical laws must be respected and observed. Certain elements of the Mass can be adapted while others cannot because we do not have the authority to alter them.

Limitations may involve facial coverings or masks, limits on seating capacity to maintain social distancing, changes to the Mass schedule to allow for cleaning, modified procedures for the distribution of Holy Communion, etc. This will involve tremendous coordination between clergy, parish staffs and volunteers, as well as training and preparation. Guidelines and protocols are being developed that will be shared with pastors. The dispensation from the obligation to physically attend Mass will likely remain in place for a time, especially to protect the elderly and most vulnerable among us.  
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<sup>4</sup> **Other Sacraments:** The period of isolation has delayed celebrations of Baptisms, First Communions, Confirmations and Weddings. Funeral Masses for loved ones have also been postponed. We understand the sorrow and sacrifice of those awaiting the celebration of Holy Sacraments. Please understand the enormous stress that this will place upon your very limited number of priests, some of whom are older and particularly vulnerable because of health concerns. We ask for your patience, understanding and compassion as your clergy serves you as best we can through these complex and very challenging times.

**Our Prayers and our Gratitude:** Dear friends, thank you for your prayers and support throughout this crisis. Your parish Church depends on weekly contributions in order to survive and carry on Christ's saving mission. The loss of Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday collections is a serious hardship for the functioning of a parish. Likewise, Catholic Charities, our Catholic Schools, and the Catholic Ministries Appeal all rely on support from the Faithful to carry out their missions. We are so grateful for your dedication, especially during these most challenging times. Please know that you are remembered in my prayers and daily Masses. The risen Christ has won the victory over death. His grace will strengthen us to carry this cross so as to share in his resurrection.

Sincerely Yours in Christ,

†*John O. Barres*

Most Reverend John O. Barres

### Helping Neighbors in Need

#### ✠ **ST. BONIFACE OUTREACH PANTRY**

The COVID-19 pandemic has resulted in the Outreach/Pantry functioning on a need-to-assist basis. We are asking your assistance by providing us with the names and addresses of parishioners you know who need food but can't shop. Please call the parish office at 516-676-0676 ext. 125 with the person's name, address and phone number. We will have food delivered to them safely.

#### ✠ **ST. BONIFACE ST. VINCENT DE PAUL**

If you know of any parishioners needing assistance and without access to the internet or knowledge about how to reach the St. Vincent dePaul Society, please have them call 676-0676, ext. 124 and leave a message. A member of the St. Vincent de Paul Society will contact them as soon as possible. We pray that this crisis will be short term and that we will be able to return to our normal operations soon.

## Please Pray

### An Act of Spiritual Communion

*My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You.*

### For Our Deceased

Christine Sica

### For Our Sick

Lucia Alonso, William Anderson, Brandon Arena, Charlie Brackenridge, Richard Brown, Caesar Cavese, Camille Costa, Therese Curry, Carmela DelGaudio, Daniel Garcia, Gary Gullo, Mary Jo Hauser, Cecelia Hernandez, Sairah Khan, Abby Kolkhorst, Toni Lauria, Georgia Leim, Bruce McGhee, Bobbi McDonald, Anna MacHormell, Janet McKinnon, Michelle Martone, Kenneth Moore, John Moran, Kim Occhiogrosso, John Orozco, Danielle Robinson, Tom Ryan, Jr., Abigail Salva, Pat Sawicki, Vincenza Scire, Anna Fiora Seda, Katrina Stern, Steven Taibbi, Steven Tipton, Glenn Van Pelt, Sr., Joe Vulpis, Lisa Vulpis, Scott Warner.

*Requests for inclusion on the sick list must be made by an immediate family member through Fr. Kevin.*

### For Our Military

Lieutenant Melissa Buffa & Lieutenant Travis Buffa  
Lance CPL Matthew B. Christman  
Second Lieutenant Mario Coronel, US Army  
Second Lieutenant Matthew Coronel, US Army  
Flight Lieutenant Joseph Doyle  
US Marine Lance CPO Philip W. Grella, III  
Jake A. Hojnowski, Sailor E-3, US Navy  
Lance CPL Gregory Knox  
Sgt. Christian Lada, US Army  
Christian Pace Laderer, MMN3, US Navy  
Private First Class Ignazio LaManna, US Army  
Private First Class Vincent S. LaManna, Jr., US Army  
Lieutenant Brian McMenamin  
Lieutenant Ian McMenamin  
Private First Class Joshua McMillan  
Lieutenant Michael R. Ragusa, USN  
SPC Jennifer Sinski, US Army  
Ensign Joseph Varello, USN  
Lieutenant Commander Drew Whitting, US Navy  
Sgt. Luke Whitting, US Army  
Captain Christina Merrick-Wright  
Captain Bradley Wright, US Army.





St. Boniface Martyr  
**Feast by the Shore**  
at Tappen Beach  
Shore Road, Glenwood Landing NY



# Take Five for Faith

## Sixth Sunday of Easter, May 17, 2020

Especially in these trying times, we may be tempted to dismiss hope as something akin to wishful thinking. Yet hope is a theological virtue, along with faith and love. These three put us into position for personal union with God. Hope, in particular, orients us perpetually in a Godward direction no matter where life takes us. As Cistercian monk Aelred of Rivaux declared: "What is hope but food for the journey to support us in the miseries of this life?" Cultivate hope by weeding out habits of negativity and cynicism.

## Monday, May 18, 2020

### MEMORIAL OF ST. JOHN I

Pope John I was frail when he was elected to the papacy in 523, and he did not survive imprisonment by a heretical king. From permanent disabilities to occasional illness, from aging to chronic fatigue to widespread viral infection, we all experience physical weakness at some point and know that it can feel like a prison. When we hit the limits of our bodies, our inner strength can wane too. At that time—and at any time—lean on the Lord to carry you through.

## Tuesday, May 19, 2020

When Jesus promised his disciples the Holy Spirit, he used an interesting word. He called their holy helper a "paraclete," the Greek word for advocate—literally "called to one's side." It was used in courts of law to describe an intercessor or counselor. From the Book of Job, we also know paraclete can mean "comforter." What a rich, meaningful name to give that Spirit who guides us still—by our side even when we're as clueless as can be.

## Wednesday, May 20, 2020

### MEMORIAL OF ST. BERNARDINE OF SIENA

Do you know of someone whose energy and joy attracts followers of all kinds? Franciscan priest and theologian Saint Bernadine of Siena (1380-1444), whose feast we celebrate today, was one of those people. He was a human dynamo whose preaching drew thousands of fans throughout Italy even as he challenged them to practice voluntary poverty and denounced the sins of the day.

St. Bernadine's joyful eloquence defined his ministry and was impossible to ignore. Can you bring others to God through a joyful spirit?

## Thursday, May 21, 2020

### SOLEMNITY OF THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

After listening to the nightly news, a friend recently (and understandably) gasped: "We need Jesus!" Most believers would agree. Which is perhaps why the Ascension doesn't feel like an event we're much inclined to celebrate. Jesus departs; this sounds like a terrible idea from every standpoint except the truth—because Jesus promises to send us his Spirit as an indwelling presence. If we still feel like orphans, remember Jesus' words: "I am with you always." See Jesus all around: in word and sacrament, in the assembly of faith, in the disadvantaged sister and brother.

## Friday, May 22, 2020

During stressful times and increased family togetherness, such as global "stay-at-home" orders, domestic abuse increases. Special hotlines and secret havens are set up to assist victims, and abusers are encouraged to seek help as well. Saint Rita of Cascia, whose feast we celebrate today, was mentally and physically abused by her husband for years. In the Middle Ages, she had little recourse. She chose to respond with kindness, patience, and humility. Her virtues did little to change her husband's behavior, but she did her best to escape her situation, at least spiritually. With the many resources available today, be aware of the signs of abuse and encourage loved ones to seek both physical and spiritual refuge.

## Friday, May 23, 2020

As we adjust to new ways of living, the Easter season offers much-needed hope. Resurrection changes everything, not only in salvation history but also here and now. Life coming out of death. That is the mystery of our faith, and the mystery of the world we live in. For every story of greed and ineptitude, there are many more stories of generosity and competence. Celebrate those victories. That is the life that comes out of death.

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# Stewardship ... a Letter from the Pastor

Dear Parishioner,

During this time of social distancing, St. Boniface Martyr depends on online donations to continue our ministries.

I prayerfully invite you to consider joining many of your fellow parishioners at St. Boniface in making your generous gifts through Faith Direct.

This request is critical as churches nationwide are temporarily closed due to the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic.

To keep the work of our church going, we are currently depending on the incoming monies from those using eGiving. Faith Direct is a convenient and secure electronic giving (eGiving) program that will enable you to continue giving to St. Boniface from your home.

Through Faith Direct you can make all of your contributions to St. Boniface automatically from your checking account or credit card – just as you may do now with your mortgage, household bills, and other monthly payments. This is a great way to simplify your giving – and it's the most cost-effective, environmentally-friendly way for us to receive your gifts. You can sign up for eGiving from your computer, smartphone or tablet and set up a recurring donation or make a one-time gift.

You can review the enrollment process by clicking on YouTube at <https://youtu.be/0j1njMIUxEQ>. It gives you a quick look at how easy it is to enroll and manage your account.

I highly recommend the Faith Direct program. Please take a minute to enroll right now. You can use their simple, secure online enrollment form.

For details, you can also visit the Faith Direct website, [faith.direct/NY820](https://faith.direct/NY820), email [info@faithdirect.net](mailto:info@faithdirect.net), or call the toll-free number, **866-507-8757**, to speak with someone.

Thank you so much for considering eGiving to support our parish, and may God bless you and your loved ones!

In His Name,  
Fr. Kevin Dillon, Pastor

***St. Boniface Martyr Church is sustained by the generosity of parishioners through time, talent and treasure. For all that you do, thank you!***

## Sunday Donations

Thank you for your **Stewardship donations**.

## Month of April Faith Direct Donations

Stewardship - \$14,255

Easter - \$5,753

Maintenance and Repair - \$923

One Time Gifts - \$2,035

Holy Land (DRVC) - \$444

95 participating families (\$3,238 per week)

## Special Assistance

*"Your surplus at the present time should supply their needs so that their surplus may in turn one day supply your need."* (II Cor 8:14).

Stewardship also provides assistance for the less fortunate. Please place your "surplus" in an envelope marked Special Assistance. Fr. Kevin will see it helps "supply their needs." Please pray about what Jesus is asking you to do.

***Teach us to give and not to count the cost.***

– St. Ignatius of Loyola

## Staff Directory

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# Jesus Promises the Holy Spirit

"And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Counselor to be with you forever." John 14:16 (NIV)

Unscramble the letters and write the word correctly in the space provided.



**John 14:16**

1. OBYE \_\_\_\_\_
2. LVOE \_\_\_\_\_
3. ISPTRI \_\_\_\_\_
4. SWHO \_\_\_\_\_
5. UESSJ \_\_\_\_\_
6. OWRDL \_\_\_\_\_
7. TRUHT \_\_\_\_\_
8. RTAFEH \_\_\_\_\_

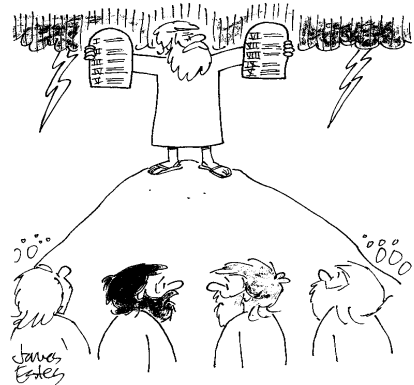
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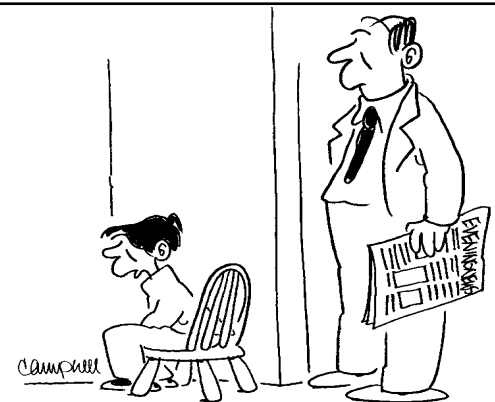
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SHOW

JESUS  
SPIRIT

TRUTH  
LOVE



"Something tells me the party's over."



"Mom's in the kitchen reminding herself that I'm a blessing from above."



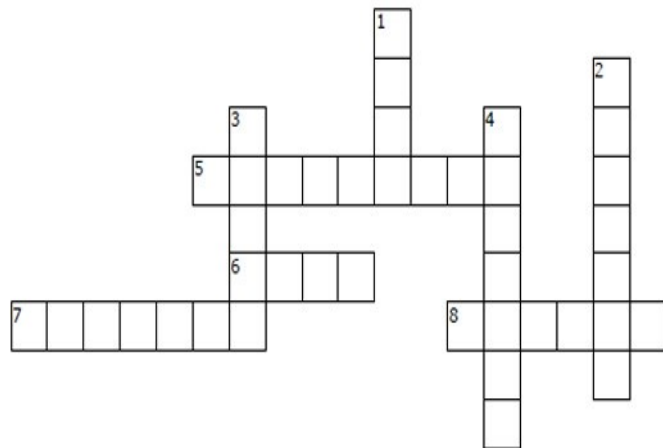
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"I think it's the company logo."



Campbell

"I thought we were going to read numbers. Those are words."



## ACROSS

5. One who gives help or advice
6. To have a strong affection and attraction for someone
7. To give an order with authority
8. The first person of the Trinity; God the \_\_\_\_\_.

## DOWN

1. To be alive or have life
2. For all time; time without end
3. The whole earth and all the people on it
4. Children who have no parents

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COUNSELOR

FOREVER  
LIVE

WORLD  
COMMAND

LOVE  
ORPHANS