

Mother's Update

May 27, 2020

Hello everyone,

Just a quick check-in to let everyone know we are all still COVID-free here at the Jeanne Jugan Center.

We had a nice Memorial Day weekend. Kudos to our kitchen staff who really went above and beyond to make the day special. Even though it was rainy, it didn't dampen anyone's spirits. The cooks fired up the grills outside to cook dinner, and the mouth-watering aroma wafting through the open windows whetted everyone's appetite for a lovely meal. There was patriotic music playing through the overhead speakers, and the food carts used to deliver the meals were festive, decorated in red, white, and blue. The day also meant a lot to our residents who are veterans and those who lost loved ones who died serving our country.

As more businesses begin to open back up and people yearn to get back to "normal," it is easy to become more complacent in following the social distancing and protection guidelines. Please be assured that we are remaining vigilant in our efforts to keep our facility extra clean, our hands washed, our faces masked, and to maintain our social distancing. We urge you to keep these things in mind too, and we pray for your health and wellbeing.

God bless you,

Mother Margaret

P.S. I was re-reading Pope Francis's address from this year's Holy Week, and it seems especially relevant now. It reminded me how we (the human race) are all in this together. It's a great reminder to find ways to nurture those connections with those we know and those we don't, even while we remain at home.

"It is a difficult time for everyone. For many, very difficult. ... Let us try, if we can, to make the best use of this time: let us be generous; let us help those in need in our neighborhood; let us look out for the loneliest people, perhaps by telephone or social networks; let us pray to the Lord for those who are in difficulty in the world. Even if we are isolated, thought and spirit can go far with the creativity of love. This is what we need today: the creativity of love." -Pope Francis