

January 13, 2021

Dear Friends,

We have plenty of good news to share with you! Since I last wrote to you, we have a New Year, with new Good News! All of our Residents have had 2-rounds of all-negative COVID-19 testing as of Saturday, 1/9! As of today, our staff have all tested negative consecutively six times since December 21st. It is an inspiration to see how hard the staff works together to keep this Home safe. We have no positive Residents in our COVID isolation unit at this time.

On top of all this good news, Walgreens pharmacists were here today vaccinating all consenting Residents and 59 of our staff members. Everything went very smoothly and we completed 121 vaccinations ahead of Walgreen's schedule. Our second vaccination clinic is scheduled for February 8th and our final vaccination clinic will be March 8th. We encourage you to get the vaccination when possible.

With the end of this latest outbreak we plan on starting Mass again 4 days a week, communal dining, and some activities. Of course, all the pandemic advice continues: 6 ft distancing, masks, and handwashing. Given how very cold it has been, we will be getting with family members soon regarding our plans for resuming out-door visits. They can schedule window visits at this time.

We count on your powerful prayers and support as we continue the mission of keeping our Residents, sisters, and staff safe from this pandemic. Sister Gonzague is back home and getting her strength back each day. She thanks you for your prayers. We are grateful to our dear Lord for his mercy and protection over our Home. We pray for you and look forward with confident hope that our days will soon be brighter and normal again.

God bless you and a Blessed New Year.

Mother Margaret, lsp