

August 4, 2022

Dear Families,

The good news is that in the past several months we had no Covid cases. Unfortunately, we have now been visited again by this invisible virus. We have nine Residents who have tested positive for COVID-19. Five Residents tested positive on 7/30. One tested positive 7/31, and three more tested positive 8/2. The Residents live on the first, second and third floors and their families were notified directly. One Resident is in the hospital and the other eight are quarantined in their rooms. Staff members are using all necessary isolation precautions. Additionally, we have six staff members who have tested positive and are recovering at home.

Per updated guidance, visitation and outings are allowed in the Home for Residents who are not in quarantine. Visitors must wear masks (over the nose) at all times and go directly to the Resident's room. Please be mindful to social distance from others when passing through the building and use proper hand hygiene. Please do not come if you are not feeling well or have been recently exposed to Covid. It is so rampant in our area at this time.

We are continuing on-going rounds of testing with all Residents and staff as directed per CMS guidance and will notify you if additional positive cases occur.

The last few months have allowed us to celebrate many special events: Mardi Gras, Easter, St. Patrick's Day, Cinco de Mayo, St. Joseph's Day, etc. etc. Our new music therapist has introduced new programs that the Residents are really enjoying. Our group activities will be on hold until this outbreak is finished, so now there will be activities on the individual floors and in the Residents' rooms.

Please pray for all of us, and especially pray for our staff whom we depend on so much.

God Bless you, stay safe and keep well,

*Mother Margaret Patricia and Little Sisters*