

May 8, 2021

Dear Residents' Families,

Thanks be to God, the quarantine for the third floor is over and both staff and Residents have tested negative! That means visitation is open, just in time for Mother's Day!

Speaking of Mother's Day, the annual Mother's Day Tea will take place tomorrow on each floor. A relative of one of the apartment Residents has been generously providing the baked goods for the Tea for several years. She delivered them today. Special cups and saucers have also been made ready. On the eve of Mother's Day, the Little Sisters, as a community, usually go around with a little gift for each lady. However, with the restrictions, the Little Sister of the unit will give the gift, representing the whole community. Each lady will get a corsage as well.

The second floor Residents have returned to the chapel for Mass and the third floor Residents have returned to the balcony of the chapel. They have also started to go outdoors. Needless to say, they are happy about both possibilities. One of Saint Jeanne Jugan's sayings is "Making the elderly happy – that is what counts"! Even with restrictions, our aim is to make that saying a reality.

We were also able to make our employees happy this week with dinner for the day and evening shifts and breakfast for the night shift. Although May 5 was the chosen date, it wasn't because of *Cinco de Mayo*. Their favorite food is fried chicken and so, fried chicken it was! The Residents, on the other hand, enjoyed a *Cinco de Mayo* menu for all three meals.

Depending on which diocese you live in, the Ascension of the Lord will be celebrated either this Thursday or next Sunday. It's hard to believe that the Easter Season is almost over!

I want to end by wishing all of you: mothers, grandmothers, and Godmothers...

*Happy Mother's Day*

Let's continue to do all we can to stop the spread! Keep safe!

Sincerely,  
Sister Celine Thérèse