

May 24, 2021

Dear Residents' Families,

As you already know, one of our staff members tested positive last Monday for Covid-19. However, since there had been no contact with the Residents, we did not need to quarantine the 2nd and 3rd floors. The staff member, however, is doing a 14-day quarantine. All staff tested negative last Thursday and we're hoping today's results will be the same!

The Residents were happy with their retreat given by Father Victor Hoagland, Passionist. Father has a loud and very clear voice and all were able to hear his conferences. He spoke about the Holy Spirit. Yesterday, as you know, was the Solemnity of Pentecost, when we celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit.

The Associates Jeanne Jugan renewed their promises yesterday. Since they cannot come into the Home, we gathered (with mask and social distancing!) near the statue of Saint Jeanne Jugan at the entrance to the property. Twenty renewed their promises and three others made them for the first time. Others, who were not able to be with us yesterday, will make them at another time.

You may have heard that I have a departure date: June 21. I will be making my retreat and then on to our Home in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. On June 12, Sister Maria Catherine, one of the Unit Supervisors on the third floor, is also leaving Queen of Peace. She too will be making her retreat before going to Philadelphia as well.

I have been at Queen of Peace for 10 years. I am grateful to all of you for your help and support during these years. We are arranging a drive-thru for Sunday, June 6, from 2-4 p.m., so that I can say good-bye and thank personally whoever can come.

Today is the feast day of our Mother General. Please pray for her and for her mission. Hopefully, someday, she will be able to visit the United States. You can be sure that we look forward to that day!

As the weather gets warmer, more and more Residents are profiting to enjoy the outdoors. Now is the time, before it gets too warm!

God bless you all. Keep cool and keep safe!

Sincerely,
Sister Celine Thérèse