

December 22, 2021

Dear Family Members,

After several months, we come again to tell you that Covid has made its way into our Home! As of today, one employee and one Resident have tested positive. You know what that means – more testing! All Residents on the second and third floors, and staff, were tested and gratefully, all those tested had negative results. We must all be tested again next Monday before we can give the “All clear.” Those who were exposed to the person with the virus have to be in isolation and those who care for them will have to don the PPE (Personal Protective Equipment) before going into their rooms.

The Residents are admirable as again they experience the effects of pandemic. Meals will be served from the hallway. The chapel, for the moment, is off limits and the television is the means of staying in tune with the rest of the Home and the world. Tomorrow is to be the day for their Christmas parties and somehow, we will try to make it a fun time – even from the hallway!

On a positive note, our Mother General made a visit to the United States and we were happy to have her with us last week. On Tuesday, the 14th, she greeted all the Residents in their dining rooms during the noon meal and then enjoyed the performance of our staff and Residents. One of the Residents on the second floor, who greeted her in the name of all in that dining room, told Mother General that she was their best Christmas present!

Let us pray together that this pandemic will come to an end and that in the meantime, we have the patience to adhere to rules and regulations in order to keep our Residents safe.

I take this opportunity to wish each one of you a Blessed Christmas and a Happy New Year! God bless you all. Keep safe!

Sincerely,

Sr. Joseph Caroline, l.s.p.