

August 7, 2020

Dear Families,

Before the week is over, I would like to bring you up-to-date on the happenings in our Home and of our recent testing results.

Monday, August 3rd, our staff and Sisters were tested, and again on the 4th, those who missed the prior date on Monday. From this testing, 2 staff members showed positive for Covid-19. They are now on quarantine and hopefully will be able to return to work after the 14 days and a negative testing.

Yesterday, August 6th, all of our residents were tested for the Covid-19 virus; results should be coming in 1-2 days. We will let you know the outcome of the testing as soon as we receive it.

You can imagine how we pray that this virus does not enter our Home again. We are trying to “track” the pathway that it takes to enter, and we all know that is not an easy task. I would like to ask each family to help us with this. For those who take a resident to an appointment, during this trip please avoid stopping for any shopping, Beauty shop appointments, etc. We are carefully following the “Lockdown” procedure” with its specific directives. Understandably to go and come straight back home is hard once you have them with you, but it will benefit everyone in the long run. As you know, the elderly are at high risk during this pandemic.

Everyone feels better when they look their best, so we have contacted our Beautician, who is being tested and hope to have her return to work for a few days a week. This will make our residents very happy, ladies as well as the men (she does the Barber job too). This will be done with all safety measures in place.

This month we celebrate the feast of St. Jeanne Jugan, so many of you have been here with us for her special feast day on August 30th. This year we are trying to make it as special as we can, with special prayer time, information about her life and holiness, and a special St. Jeanne Jugan Bingo, with money prizes, is a definite favorite among the residents! We greatly miss our special Holy Mass on that day.

Thank you for the items you are bringing to our Home; Kleenex, Lysol Spray, even some flowers for our chapel are all greatly appreciated.

Always we pray that you are well. For those having children returning to school, we keep them in our prayers as well. We ask for your prayers for all of us here in St. Joseph’s Home. I also thank you for your understanding and your continual support.

God bless you,

Mother Paul, lsp