

ST. JOSEPH'S HOME FOR THE ELDERLY
LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR
140 SHEPHERD LANE
TOTOWA, NEW JERSEY 07512-2170
TELEPHONE: (973) 942-0300 FAX: 973) 942-7201

www.littlesistersofthepoortotowa.org

April 24, 2020

Dear Family Members and Friends:

We thank you for your continued prayers and support for our Home. We would also like to thank all of you who have so generously donated masks, food, supplies or who have helped us out financially so that we can continue to lovingly and safely care for our Residents.

It is our desire to keep you informed with respect to COVID-19 and so I would like to give you an update. At this time, we have nine Residents who tested positive. They are all quarantined in their rooms with assigned staff using enhanced precautions lovingly caring for them. Please keep them and two Little Sisters who are also quarantined in your prayers.

Staff members who have symptoms related to the virus are asked to stay out of work for two weeks to give time for the symptoms to resolve or develop further. We do have nine staff members who tested positive for the virus. They are all recovering at home and we hope they will be able to return to work with us.

We continue to be in daily contact with the local health department and have been following their guidelines as well the guidelines of the CDC. Residents and staff members who exhibit any type of symptoms related to COVID-19 are referred to our medical director for immediate assessment.

Our greatest desire is to keep our Residents as safe and healthy as possible in the midst of these trying circumstances. Little Sisters and staff are committed to doing all we can to both fight the virus and show our Residents the love and support they need. We are doing all we can to keep their spirits and faith in God alive during this very difficult time. Please stay in contact with your loved one through telephone calls, texts, mail or video chats.

Please know that we pray daily that God will protect all of you and your loved ones during this time. We ask for your continued prayers to keep our Sisters and staff healthy and strong so that we can provide all that we can to keep our Residents healthy, safe and happy.

God Bless you,



Sister Mary Thomas, I.S.P.
Superior
Little Sisters of the Poor