

St. Joseph's Home for the Elderly
Little Sisters of the Poor
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Dear Families and Friends of our Residents,

I know you are concerned with the recent outbreak of the Covid 19 virus. We are doing everything we can to keep it under control.

At the moment there are 3 Residents who have tested positive. They are in a separate Covid Unit, as I mentioned in my last letter. We have dedicated staff who are only working in this unit and who enter and exit by a separate door. They do not pass through the rest of the home for any reason.

All staff are in-serviced regularly and have everything they need to stay safe and keep the Residents safe. The staff are tested twice a week and Residents are tested weekly, and whenever symptoms arise.

The Residents are all eating in their rooms. Activities are doing their best with Skype and trying to keep everyone happy.

You are all aware of the spiking number of cases in Illinois and throughout our country. As careful as we try to be, the staff have to take care of their families and homes as well. We screen everyone very carefully before they begin their work and midway into their shifts. Anyone who has had contact with a person with any symptoms cannot work.

The Sisters and Staff that are here are working together diligently. It is very nice to see staff from various departments pulling together to wash dishes, make beds or serve meals.

I'm not sure what else we can do except not let our guard down at all. I promise you we won't.

Thank you for your support and understanding.

Sincerely,

Mother Margaret

Administrator