

August 3, 2020

Dear Friends,

I am happy to report to you that we have no new cases of COVID-19 among our Residents or staff! Every week that we can make this announcement is another opportunity to thank God for watching over us, protecting both our Home and our dear Residents with his providential care. Our staff are working hard to keep the Residents safe and our vigilance is paying off.

This week we had an Infection Control Survey by the Indiana State Department of Health as well and we were found to be 100% in compliance with our infection control practices.

As you know, Governor Holcomb last week extended Phase 4.5 till August 27<sup>th</sup>. Marion County is still requiring us to have only outdoor visitations — no indoor visitation yet. Thank you for your patience as we all anxiously await the day we can open our doors to welcome everyone. We have faced challenges with scheduling outdoor visits due to the unpredictability of the weather, necessitating last minute cancelations. Please do not hesitate to reschedule your visits accordingly as this occurs.

This month we will also be changing the times of visitation to 12:30pm – 4:30pm in order to accommodate the majority of the requests that are being received.

The month of August holds many feast days for us to celebrate here at the Home, including the Assumption of Mary on August 15<sup>th</sup>, the feast of St. Augustine, the patron of the home on August 28<sup>th</sup> and the feast of Saint Jeanne Jugan, the Foundress of the Little Sisters of the Poor on August 30<sup>th</sup>. We will thus have a busy activity schedule this month. We are also looking forward to watching the Indy 500 as it will be televised this year!

Thank you once again for your support and prayers. Know of our continued prayer for you and your loved ones.

Gratefully,

Mother Francis Gabriel and the Little Sisters