



Little Sisters of the Poor
Caring for the Elderly Poor throughout the World

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To our Family and Friends,

“We are Easter people and “Alleluia” is our song. Let us sing “Alleluia” here and now in this life, even though we are oppressed by various worries, so that we may sing it one day in the world to come, when we are set free from all anxiety!” These words of St. Augustine of Hippo written centuries ago are still so relevant in our world of today trying to surmount life’s present challenges.

Here at the Home, we are recipients of God’s Divine Providence! Even a florist still supplied the Home with beautiful lilies and various flowers for the Chapel, the Residents rooms as well as our staff. When the Residents saw our Chapel via the TV in their room, they could still see our decorative Chapel that Sr. Georgia arranged so beautifully. When our begging Sister, Sr. Catherine Ann, asked our donor how his floral business was doing, he responded: “Not so well since the Churches are not opened to the public due to the restrictions, hardly anyone requested the lilies!” God will surely bless His generosity to His “Elderly Poor!” Another situation was the issue with our audio visual system in the auditorium. One of the residents mentioned to their family member that our A/V system was very old and watching daily Mass was not very clear since we live stream the Mass from this system. The camera is located in the auditorium and they watch from the large screen from which the Mass is projected. Word got out to our donors and we have received funds to purchase a new A/V system which would have cost us close to \$10,000.00. It is also edifying how the girl scouts have been sending cards to cheer the Residents. These girl scouts also gave their cookies to the Home since they could not sell them to the public due to social distancing. Our activities staff was rather ingenious thinking of a way to celebrate the 50th anniversary of “Earth Day” by going to the Residents rooms and distributing small pots of seeds instructing the Residents to water the seeds, put them in the sun and soon they will see little buds popping up little by little. The Residents were delighted and welcomed the distraction due to the present living conditions. They have been so patient remaining in their rooms.

As regarding our present situation with the virus, we are pleased to say, at least as we talk, that we do not have any cases of the virus. Friday, we did have to send one of our Residents to the hospital due to an elevated temperature. Luckily, the Resident was tested for the virus and we are waiting to hear the results which takes time. We will keep you posted. Also, one of our part time staff members did test positive for the virus from her other job. Now, two weeks later, she has tested negative and with the approval of her primary physician and the Health department, she is cleared to return to work.

Let us continue to pray for one another during these challenging times and for the grace to live one day at a time. Our staff has been awesome, so devoted, so generous. They are an asset to our extended family of our Mother, St. Jeanne Jugan who is watching over us from above as well as you and your loved ones. Keep up your courage!! God bless all of you.

Sr. Marie Edward, lsp, Mother Superior

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