

November 20, 2020

Dear Families and Friends,

As the COVID numbers in our region continue to be very high and Denver has now been moved into the "Red Zone" ("severe risk" category) effective today, I am grateful to God that I am still able to report to you that we have no COVID here at the Little Sisters of the Poor. We are continuing to test all of our staff twice a week in order to help keep our Home community safe, and we are also required now to do twice-a-week testing for any Resident who has gone out of the building for a medical appointment.

Because of the worsening situation in our region, we are pausing any non-urgent outside medical appointments (periodic routine follow-up visits, etc.), or else arranging to have those visits done virtually. Our medical director and staff physicians are fully supportive of this plan. If your loved one has a medical need, please be in touch with our nursing staff about the best way to proceed.

Our Residents are keeping their spirits up remarkably in spite of the challenges. They are such amazing witnesses of hope and joy! And our activity staff members never cease to pull new tricks out of their sleeve to give everyone a laugh. Indeed, ALL of our staff are admirable in their self-giving for our Residents' happiness.

So that's it for this week. I wish you all health and safety, and God's blessings in all your needs.

All of our Little Sisters join me in wishing you a lovely and blest Thanksgiving!

*Mother Mercy, lsp*