

December 6, 2020

Dear Family Members and Friends,

We Little Sisters and our Residents here at the Mullen Home are off to a beautiful start with the spiritual season of Advent, and your dear loved ones continue to inspire us with their joyful and generous response to the situation we are walking through together.

In spite of the continually rising rate of COVID in our state, God has continued to protect all of our Residents, and none on them have gotten the virus to date. (Please keep those prayers coming!) However, we have had 19 staff members out related to COVID lately — most of them because a member of their immediate household has tested positive and is sick with the virus. The first few of these staff members have completed their quarantine and started to come back to work, but 7 of the 19 are actually ill with COVID-19, so please pray for them. Our twice-a-week COVID testing of all staff and Residents continues, and is really helping us to identify positive individuals quickly and send them into quarantine. And as difficult as the lockdown is, it is truly helping to protect us.

We have enrolled in the COVID vaccination program that will soon be provided and administered free of charge for all nursing homes. Colorado's vaccine allotment is expected to arrive in the state on December 15th. We are happy that long-term care residents and staff are in the top tier for priority, and we will contact you with further information when the time comes.

We continue to have our Residents' medical care provided virtually, and appreciate everyone's cooperation with delaying all non-critical outside medical appointments until the COVID situation in the local community improves. All indoor and outdoor visitation remains on hold.

Thank you, dear families, for your attentiveness and support regarding all that is communicated. We Little Sisters appreciate you all greatly!

In the peace and joy of our King who is to come,
Mother Mercy, lsp