



Jeanne Jugan Residence
Update April 25, 2020

Dear Residents, Families and Resident Representatives,

I am happy to take this opportunity to update you on life inside Jeanne Jugan Residence during these weeks of quarantine. Ensuring that our Residents are cared for in a safe and healthy environment, and keeping them happy, remain our top priorities.

We Little Sisters and our dedicated staff are following all Department of Health (DOH) and Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) guidance to protect the Residents. These recommendations include strict infection control and prevention initiatives, stringent handwashing procedures, restricting visitation and screening all individuals – including staff – who enter our Home.

I am happy to report that as of this week Jeanne Jugan Residence has no new cases of confirmed or suspected Covid-19. Thankfully, we have had only one case, and this Resident is recovering well. No one has passed away due to Covid-19 infection. God has definitely been watching over us!

We are continuing to screen the Residents' temperatures, pulse oxygenation levels, and other vital signs daily. In addition, all staff are screened for fever and respiratory symptoms every shift. Any staff members with fever or respiratory symptoms are not permitted to work.

Although we have not had any positive test results except for the one already mentioned, upon learning of any positive results the Director of Nursing would immediately contact both state and local health department officials, as well as Epidemiology at the NYSDOH.

We want to reassure you that we are taking all necessary steps to protect our Residents, employees, and the surrounding community. We will continue to update you on a weekly basis, or more often as needed. Please check our website, www.littlesistersofthepoorbronx.org for updates.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact Roberta Damen MSW, Sr. Raymond Marie, Director of Nursing, or myself at 347-329-1800. Let us continue to pray for and with one another at this time.

Sincerely,

Mother Gertrude Mary
Administrator

P.S. We also wish to thank all who have dropped off much needed items, from hand sanitizer to PPE and food items, as well as those who have made monetary donations to help us through this difficult period!