May 8, 2020

Dear Family Member,

I hope you all have continued to stay well as I am happy to say we have. We have made it another week with no new cases of Covid-19. I have to say it is a relief to be writing yet another letter with no bad news. I want to focus



instead on our appreciation and gratitude for all of your prayers and your incredible generosity and support over the past two months. It has meant so much to the staff and Sisters to have you all in our corner as we navigate this unknown territory.

Thank you so much for your thoughtfulness. Your generosity and understanding is such a blessing in this time of uncertainty not only in our city, but throughout the world.

This month of May brings special recognition of all women who take on the role of nurturing others as mothers, grandmothers, great grandmothers, sisters, aunts, nurses, doctors, nursing assistants, activities staff, social workers and all other caregivers. The celebration of Mother's day will be different this year, but our intention of honoring these women remains the same. Our devotion to our Blessed Mother has been a source of strength to us all throughout this time. We continue to look to Mary for guidance and help during this special month that honors her as Queen of Heaven and Earth. As I mentioned in my letter last week, our daily rosary with all the Residents has been wonderful way to stay connected spiritually despite not being able to gather for mass.

As you are all aware, the weather this past week has been particularly lovely. Many of the Residents are taking advantage of this with daily strolls or just time in the sunshine in our beautiful Grotto area.

I know that it is particularly difficult not see your loved ones on the holiday that honors them. We will do our best to make them feel very special and celebrated. I also want to wish all of you who are mothers a blessed day.

I want to let you know that I may not write a letter every week if things continue to go smoothly and I hope and pray they do. But rest assured, I will communicate with you if we have any new cases or there is important news to share.

Once again, we thank you for your prayers and support. Please know that the sisters and I pray that you and your families stay safe and healthy and at peace.

God Bless you,