



Dear Family and Friends,

April 16, 2021

I hope you and your family are enjoying the warm and sunny spring weather.

Last week's staff testing all came back negative, although, one (1) staff who tested negative at the Home, after few days off work, received a positive result from a test she took elsewhere.

After sending out the expanded visitation protocol last Friday, we appreciate that some of you have already sent your proof of vaccination by e-mail. For those who have not had the chance to forward their vaccination cards, please do so to rasanfran@littlesistersofthepoor.org.

For the rest of your family and friends who would want to schedule a tent visit with your loved ones here at the Home, please share the visitation policy (copy attached). I expect everyone to adhere to the visitation guidelines because it really helps us properly schedule visits and make sure that we are bringing more families together safely.

Kindly note that for the tent visits, we can only accommodate six (6) visits per day. The visiting times are: 10:45 to 11:30AM, 1:30 to 2:15PM and 2:45 to 3:30PM. **I am asking you to be very aware and respectful of the time allotted for your visits. This is because the Activities staff who are assigned to escort Residents to the designated visiting area are also responsible for accompanying Residents to their outside appointments. They do these in addition to their regularly scheduled activities; their time is precious. Please, if you cannot make it on time, let us know right away by calling the Sister in charge of the unit.**

Just a few reminders:

- 1/ To schedule visiting time, please call the Sister in charge of the unit and not your loved-ones. **Residents cannot schedule visits for anyone.**
- 2/ Sharing of food and drinks during visits is not allowed. You can bring snacks for the Residents to enjoy later after the visit.
- 3/ Please arrive 10 minutes earlier than scheduled time of visit. That time will be allotted for you sign-in, verify proof of vaccination/negative COVID19 test, have your temperature taken and answer other health and safety questions. This way, you can have the full 45min (maximum) visit with your loved-ones.
- 4/ **Vaccinated** guests **can briefly hug and touch** the Residents. **Nonvaccinated** guests, **cannot**.

Let us all continue to adhere to the core principles of COVID-19 infection control, including maintaining physical distancing and wearing of masks the whole time you are around other people. These practices are still the safest way to prevent the spread of COVID-19, particularly if either party has not been fully vaccinated.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to give me a call.

We hope and pray for everyone to stay well and safe.

Thank you and God bless you,