

November 17, 2021

Dear Family and Friends:

Thanksgiving is rapidly approaching, and I know many of you are looking forward to celebrating the holiday and family traditions. As of Monday, November 22<sup>nd</sup> we expect to transition to online visitation appointments through our website ([www.littlesistersofthepoorsf.org](http://www.littlesistersofthepoorsf.org)). Until that time, please continue to contact Santana Thienviwat at [acsanfran@littlesistersofthepoor.org](mailto:acsanfran@littlesistersofthepoor.org) or 415-751-6510 at least 48 hours in advance to make your visitation appointment.

**The following visitation rules remain in effect:**

1. All visitors must be vaccinated and show proof of vaccination.
2. There is a maximum of three (3) visitors per Resident visit.
3. Masks must continue to be worn at all times during your visit and social distancing must be observed.
4. Food may not be shared during your visit, but you may bring treats for your loved one to enjoy after the visit.
5. All visits must take place outdoors unless otherwise prearranged.
6. All compassionate care visits must be predetermined.

The Coronavirus is unfortunately thriving and remains highly infectious with an uptick in cases in the Bay Area over the past week. This is, therefore, a good time to remind you that we must continue to be vigilant of all safety protocols and cannot let our guard down while celebrating the holidays.

**While we prefer that Residents not risk exposure to the virus by gathering with friends and family outside of St. Anne's Home, we also understand the importance of getting together with family. If you do plan on taking your loved one out to gather with family and friends for Thanksgiving, please adhere to the following safety practices that are intended to keep everyone safe.**

1. Do not take your loved one out if anyone in your home or gathering displays Covid symptoms: fever, sore throat, cough, body aches, headaches, nausea, vomiting and/or diarrhea.
2. Email the Little Sister Unit Supervisor or Santana Thienviwat 48 hours in advance of your outing.
3. Please provide the number of persons who will be present at your gathering and the vaccination status for each. Please indicate if they are fully vaccinated (two injections if Pfizer or Moderna or one injection if Johnson & Johnson); fully vaccinated with booster, or partially vaccinated (one shot).
4. For persons who are not vaccinated or have only been partially vaccinated, a negative COVID test 72 hours prior to gathering with a St. Anne's Resident is highly recommended. All unvaccinated persons should wear masks at all times when in the company of a St. Anne's Resident, should adhere to the 6' social distancing rule, and practice frequent handwashing.
5. Contact the Little Sister Unit Supervisor immediately if anyone of your guests experience COVID symptoms after Thanksgiving, so that appropriate precautions can be taken for our Residents.

Thank you for your patience and cooperation in helping us all to stay safe through the holiday season. Wishing you a healthy, blessed, and Happy Thanksgiving.

May God bless you,

Mother Marquerite