## Little Sisters of the Poor St. Anne's Home San Francisco

April 7, 2022

Dear Residents, Families and Friends,

It's hard to believe that the last letter we sent out was back in February! Time does fly! Though we know we have been in contact with the majority of you in one way or another during that time.

As we prepare for Holy Week next week and Easter we wanted to give you a little update.

Not too much has changed in terms of wearing masks and social distancing despite the number of cases being down and much of the world outside being able to go mask-less. The masks are still required here as is social distancing, etc.

We are happy to say though, that even though we know there are Homes within the city that are still battling Covid (despite case numbers being down) and that every so often we hear of a case that has come close, we are still Covid free. We pray that continues.

We continue to want to play it safe rather than be sorry or go through what we went through this past January and February all over again as I'm sure you can understand. The State has said that the CDC will be giving updates in the near future and then the State Dept. of Health will follow suit so we wait for those.

Meanwhile, here is the latest for <u>visits</u> as of March 24<sup>th</sup> per SFDPH guidance:

"Up-to-date" replaces "fully[1]vaccinated" in guidance for LTCF residents, visitors, and staff.

"Up-to-Date on Vaccination" means when a person both (i) is Vaccinated with a Complete Initial Series and (ii) has received a Booster once the person is Booster-Eligible. *A person is Up-to-Date on Vaccination immediately on receipt of a Booster*. Until a person is Booster-Eligible, they are considered Up-to-Date on Vaccination two weeks after completing their full initial series of vaccination.

Up-to-date vaccination prevents severe illness and death due to COVID-19. In San Francisco, up-to[1]date vaccination is required for LTC Facilities workers and highly encouraged for all residents and visitors.

LTC Facilities must verify visitors are fully vaccinated or have provided evidence of a negative SARS-CoV-2 test within one day of visitation for antigen tests, and within two days of visitation for PCR tests for indoor visitation. *This includes children*.

Visitors that are unvaccinated or incompletely vaccinated or are unable to show a negative SARS-CoV-2 test may only have an outdoor visit. The weather right now is so nice that outdoor visits are actually a great way to visit!

We know there has been some discussion about a new booster that our residents would be eligible to receive. We will keep you posted as we learn more.

We very much appreciate those of you who continue to sign up for your visits on the website as that has been a help for all of us.

We are also getting ready for our Easter Food Drive this coming Saturday. Please see our website for more information and thank you to those who have already donated! Our Association Jeanne Jugan (AJJ) members will be there to greet you as you drive through.

Thank you too for those of you who may have donated at the front door towards helping the people of Ukraine.

Once again, thank you for all you do to support us as we continue our efforts to give the best care possible to your loved ones. Wearing masks, social distancing, washing our hands or using hand sanitizer, getting screened at the front door before entering...all of these are still very much part of the program here at St. Anne's as we continue to try hard to keep Covid out!

Thank you for your prayers as we continue forward, and know that we also pray for you.

Have a Blessed Easter!

Mother Marguerite