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Good Morning to everyone! Here is your weekly update from Garvey Manor! We continue to forge along as business as usual although we remain vigilant in all procedures to keep everyone COVID-free. We remain blessed to say that we are free of any presumed or confirmed cases of COVID-19. Praise Be to God!! The weather has been very gracious to us. Residents are outside in the courtyards, swinging on the Whisperglide swings, going for strolls, and enjoying the beautiful weather. We are pleased that so many of you have been able to keep in contact with your loved ones via technology or through window visits. We know this is very difficult and we continue to appreciate the support and understanding of our family members. We hope you will remain gracious and remember these are not OUR rules. These are the rules of those who regulate us. If we do not do as they direct, we will be subject to citations, fines, and other regulatory penalties.

Here are a few updates for this week:

- As we stated last week, we have been mandated to test all residents and staff before July 24th so we are moving forward with a plan to ensure we are on track with this requirement. If you have not already, you will be getting a phone call from our Nursing Department to discuss the testing of your loved one as testing will begin the week of June 29th. Testing questions can be directed to the nursing department.
- A reminder from Sister Joachim- Please when you are making DROP-OFF Deliveries for your loved one—They MUST be in ONE sealed bag labeled with your name and the residents name. Please do not leave numerous bags on the table. They need to be combined and labeled to ensure proper and prompt delivery.
- When on our campus, adults should be masked and social distancing guidelines of 6 feet apart should be maintained at all times.
- Due to the beautiful weather and many residents being outside, if you are on our campus, please remember to not approach any resident who may be outside. They will be as tempted as you to socialize so please remain as vigilant as we have been. We do not want anything to compromise all that has been done to keep everyone safe.
- The Department of Health regulations mandated at the beginning of the COVID precautions that because of the need for social distancing, residents who are able to eat independently should eat in their rooms. We have since been able to make some adjustments in our dining service and extend meal times so that residents, who are able and choose to do so, are able to eat in the dining room while maintaining social distancing. Residents have been informed of these changes and any questions about dining services should be directed to Tori Watters, Registered Dietician at 695-5571.

Thank you as always for your patience and kindness as we go through this unprecedented time together. While, none of us have the answers, what we can do is pray, follow the guidelines we have been given, and pray some more that soon we will be facing brighter days and updated visitation procedures.