

September 21, 2021

To the Families of the Residents of Garvey Manor and Our Lady of the Alleghenies Residence,

Here we are on the first day of autumn!! It feels like fall is in the air and there are several trees on our property beginning to turn yellow and drop their leaves. With all that is going on in the world, it is important to take time to enjoy simple pleasures, like the changing of the seasons!

Good news for all of us is that all residents and all staff were tested for Covid Monday, September 20, 2021. All tested negative, except one staff member.

We were recently informed of revised CDC Infection Control Guidelines for Long Term Care Facilities dated 9/10/2021. According to the revised guidelines, the following is put into place

- **Personal Care Residence (Our Lady of the Alleghenies)**, we are able to lift the quarantine restrictions and change their status to a **GREEN ZONE**.
- **Nursing Home**, we are able to lift restrictions on **C-1, D-1 D-2, E-1 and E-2** units and change their status to **GREEN ZONES**.
- In the Nursing Home **the C-2 Unit** must remain a **YELLOW ZONE**, with restrictions of quarantine for about another week. A date when this can be lifted will be determined.
- A few residents on some of the units in the Nursing Home, must remain in quarantine for personal exposure reasons. The primary contact person for those residents, as well as the residents themselves, have been personally notified that their quarantine status has to extend to the full two weeks from the potential exposure.
- In- person visits can be scheduled throughout the facility (Nursing Home and Our Lady of the Alleghenies), except the residents on the C-2 unit and the other residents who remain in quarantine can ONLY have virtual visits at this time.

These changes are in effect as of now. REMEMBER, the status is subject to change based on exposure to a positive test for Covid for a staff member, residents or visitor.

We remain very concerned about the high transmission rate in Blair and surrounding Counties. We will remain vigilant as we open to visitors and again remind you to remain safe in your own practices and PLEASE do not visit if you have ANY symptoms that may be Covid, whether you are vaccinated or not.

Thank you for your understanding during these challenging times. God Bless you.

Sister Joachim Anne, Administrator