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Good morning families and residents,

The results of the COVID testing completed on Monday are in and I am pleased to let you know we all remain Negative. We will test staff again today, Thursday, February 11th

On Tuesday, we hosted our final COVID 19 vaccine clinic with Walgreens and I am thrilled that so many of our residents and staff opted to take advantage of this opportunity to receive the vaccine made available to us by New Hampshire.

While the active cases of COVID within the state of New Hampshire appear to be going down, Strafford County positivity rates remain greater than 10%. The rates are decreasing for Strafford County- albeit painfully slow- this continues to hinder our ability to open the doors and offer inperson indoor visits that are not considered compassionate care visits.

Ash Wednesday is next week and I have some rather uplifting news to share about this. I learned that we will be able to offer the receiving of ashes on Ash Wednesday. Two Fathers from our community here in Dover will be coming to present the ashes to those residing at St. Ann and Bishop Gendron - our Independent Living Community.

Life Enrichment Update: Several activities are being highlighted this week at St. Ann's. Among them has been our first full week of COVID-compliant Hallway Happy Hour featuring adult beverages and individually packaged snacks - offered 2x this week. On Friday, we will celebrate Valentine's Day with a Valentine's Cocoa Cart with cookies and candies to brighten the winter season. Our new Match Game, in which residents sought to match two or more nature photographs, added to favorites such as Word Connection and Hallway Bingo. One to One visits, Manicures, Fitness Fun and Bible Study were also part of this week's events.

Yesterday, we learned that the Life Enrichment Manager, Mark has decided to leave his position in pursuit of other opportunities. Mark has only been here at St. Ann since July of 2020, being hired amidst the pandemic and the many challenges this brought to the Life Enrichment Department. He was well received by the residents here at St. Ann and will be missed.

Please check out the newly launched Facebook page for St. Ann Rehabilitation & Nursing Center. You can find it on Facebook by searching St Anns Rehab. This Facebook account will provide us yet another avenue to share the happenings here at St. Ann, including our family letter updates, but also some fun highlights. For example- yesterday the staff celebrated National Flannel Day - yes that's really a holiday- and we posted a few pictures of those who joined in the fun. Please check it out and share it with your friends and family. If there is something of particular interest you'd like to see or know more about and added to the page - please let me know, as this is a work in progress.

I'd like to thank all of you for your continued support, patience and understanding of the restrictions we continue to face with visitation.

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