

TO: Westminster Residents and Team Members

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Since the holidays we have had a few cases of COVID-19 among the residents. We are so grateful that the majority of these are doing very well and are quarantined in their apartments. We pray for one who is hospitalized. For each of these cases we have done the contact tracing and notifications.

While the cases have been small in number, we realize a few cases can become numerous if we do not practice masking and distancing. Out of an abundance of caution we have decided to close all dining rooms and cease socials in the club room and all other congregate sessions that involve eating or drinking. In all areas delivery services to apartments/rooms will begin with Breakfast on Friday, January 7th. The dining rooms will remain closed for the next two weeks. We hope to reopen them on Monday, January 24th but will make that decision in the days preceding it. For independent living and assisted living areas we will distribute the menus for delivery via your mailbox or mail delivery. For Martin Health Center the menu distribution will not need to change. A separate memo for independent living and assisted living will follow this one for specifics on menus and timeframe for submittals of these as well as delivery times.

Other activities will also change in these two weeks. Groups can gather if they can be masked and distanced. Vespers will return to virtual, shown on channel 88 for the next three Sundays. Catholic service on Sunday will not be streamed in the resident center but taped for watching later on channel 88. Westminster sponsored group outings are canceled. More information will be forthcoming on schedule changes so please pay attention to the weekly activities sheet and Channel 3 on the television.

All through this pandemic we have striven to do the right thing and doing that is not always easy. Closing the dining rooms is not an easy thing but the right thing to do. My thanks to the team members, especially in dining services, as they make these transitions once again.