

December 18, 2020

Hello everyone,

It's one week until Christmas and our Home is, even in these pandemic times, starting to bustle with anticipation. Today we had our gift-giving for our dedicated employees. As with everything else, it is different this year – no meal all together in the auditorium – but we were happy to be able to greet each one individually and give them a token of our appreciation for their hard work throughout the year. Especially touching was being able to thank once again those employees who shared the most challenging months of the year with us back in the Spring.

While this was happening in the lobby, our life enrichment employees went around with a punchboard Christmas tree made out of Styrofoam cups covered with paper napkins. Each Resident punched through into a cup and discovered a prize – money, gift card, or hot chocolate kit with a special mug. Something to brighten each one's day!

Thankfully, we have had no new cases of the virus among Sisters or Residents this week, but one new case among our employees. We continue our preparations for the distribution of the vaccine in the coming weeks, including educational sessions for our employees next week.

May these last days of preparation for Christmas find you and those you love safe and well, firmly anchored in the hope that Jesus' coming brings.

God bless,

Sr. Julie, lsp