ATTENTION: HERITAGE AND RIDGEWOOD RESIDENTS, FAMILY MEMBERS AND TEAM MEMBERS

IMPORTANT – 12/22/2020 COVID-19 UPDATE – please read this in its entirety.

In accordance with shared recommendations from the Centers for Disease Control, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), the Pennsylvania Department of Health (PA DOH) and others, St. Paul’s is in the process of administering our weekly widespread team member COVID-19 testing.

We have received all of our test results for our residents from our weekly resident and team member testing for the week ending December 18, 2020. We also continue to screen staff and residents daily for signs and symptoms and recommend consultation with a clinician to determine whether symptomatic testing is necessary.

We have no new positive cases to report at this time. On December 18, 2020, we notified you of one Heritage resident, who has been and continues to be asymptomatic, having a positive test result for Covid-19. We were hoping our remaining results may shed some light on where the resident came into contact with the virus, however there were no team members or third-party healthcare workers who interacted with this resident that tested positive for Covid-19. At this point, we must conclude that our contact tracing investigation for this resident is inconclusive, as they have not left their room and have not had any known contact with a positive person.

We will continue weekly testing for both residents and team members next week and will keep you posted as to those results. We are also continuing to maintain a “Yellow Zone” status for most of the residents at this time as per guidance and recommendations set forth by CMS and PA DOH. Please refer to our website for additional information relating to “Zones.”

If you have any questions regarding this communication or St. Paul’s plan of action please contact Dianna Jones, Administrator at The Heritage or Mickie Chapman, Administrator at The Ridgewood.