



November 24, 2020

Dear St. John's Meadows and Brickstone by St. John's Residents,

Now that **CODE ORANGE** is upon us, I'm compelled to share with you a few last minute reminders before Thanksgiving Day and the holidays that follow.

- Please rethink visiting families this year for Thanksgiving, Christmas, and or New Year's. I know this is a horrible suggestion. May I recommend that you do not cancel, but schedule a "Thanksgiving Do Over" when it is safe to do so.
- If you do visit family and friends locally or out of town, upon your returning home, **I strongly suggest** you observe one of these recommendations established by the New York State Department of Health:
 - Quarantine in your home for 14 days
 - Quarantine in your home and schedule yourself for a COVID test. Once you (hopefully) receive a negative result, remove yourself from quarantine.
 - Self-monitor for COVID symptoms and if a symptom occurs, call your doctor immediately and remain in quarantine.

In addition:

- Limit contact with others
- Avoid large gatherings
- Wear your mask
- Perform frequent hand-washing
- Avoid sharing of communal food or drinks

Other points requiring further explanation:

- The \$3.00 delivery charge for meals is waived for the duration of the **CODE ORANGE**.

- The café is closed until further notice.
- Guidelines regarding gatherings of 10 or less are in reference to informal resident gatherings. Social recreation programs and fitness programs are suspended until further notice.
- In the coming weeks, we will determine if it is safe to reopen visitation in the Chestnut Court, Briarwood, and Brickstone designated spaces. In the meantime, those who have reserved those spaces for visitation will be placed in postponement.
- When the visitation rooms are reopened, food and beverage will not be permitted within these locations.

Your health, safety, and quality of life are extremely important to us always and most especially during this holiday season. Therefore, we must continue to ensure that we adhere to all safety guidelines and strictly adhere to COVID-19 prevention and control measures. I am aware that throughout the holiday season residents and families may want to spend more time together. However, I would be remiss if I didn't put one more safety reminder out there for you all.

Please be safe, be well, and make good decisions!

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Paul R. Bartlett". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a prominent loop at the end.

Paul Bartlett, Vice President of Senior Housing