

Dear Friends and Loved Ones of Immaculate Conception Parish,

1/25/2021

We, the Sisters of St. Scholastica Monastery, wish to take a moment to extend to all of you our deep gratitude for your goodness to us when we suffered from an outbreak of Covid-19 just before Christmas. It was a very unusual time for us. Your generosity and desire to aid us was remarkable. What we experienced through your love and caring tells us that Christian values are very much a part of your lives and hearts. Thank you for the messages, meals, deliveries, phone calls, and all the ways you showed your concern. We are grateful to all of you.

We are humbled by your kindness and continued outreach to us. We miss seeing all of you very much, and it is hard to fathom that it has been since March 14, 2020, that we had to close our doors for the safety of all. In addition to our daily prayer, we pray a litany on Mondays, for all of us who are suffering from the coronavirus. We pray for those who have lost loved ones, for those who have lost employment or face a financial strain, for the health professionals, for all service-oriented personnel, and for those who feel the long-term effects of the virus. We do this by praying a litany and tolling our monastery bells each Monday at noon. We invite you to join us in spirit in the Monday prayer for our world.

We are grateful that we are in the healing process, and we pray for each of you. Our Christmas was delayed until January 6, 2021. It was a celebration of thanks for all the goodness and love we experienced. We cannot wait to have our monastery open again in loving hospitality to each of you.

Please know how much you matter to the Sisters of St. Scholastica Monastery. You have our love, prayers, and humble gratitude always.

Affectionately,

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