



November 6, 2024

## **UPDATE TO ALL FAMILY AND FRIENDS**

Hello,

### **Outbreak Status**

We are currently in COVID outbreak on Donegal, Kerry, Kilkenny and Wexford. As always, we all need to be vigilant and follow infection prevention and control practices. Masking is mandatory for staff and strongly recommended for visitors on home areas that are in outbreak. Masking is mandatory for visitors visiting a resident on isolation. Wash your hands frequently with alcohol based hand sanitizer or soap and water. Monitor yourself for symptoms daily and if you are not feeling well, do not come to visit at St. Pat's.

### **Family Quality of Life Survey**

We previously invited each Power of Attorney for Care to participate in our new interRAI Family Quality of Life Survey, which aims to gather valuable feedback on your loved one's experience at St. Patrick's Home. To provide more time for responses, we have extended the deadline to November 17. If you haven't received the survey link or would prefer a paper copy, please email Korry at [korrymacleod@stpats.ca](mailto:korrymacleod@stpats.ca), and we will ensure you receive it.

### **Remembrance Day Service**

Monday November 11 is Remembrance Day. Our St. Pat's service will begin at 10:30 am in the Gathering Place. All are welcome. *"They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old: Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn. At the going down of the sun and in the morning, We will remember them"*. To accommodate our ceremony, Mass that day will be at 1:30 pm.

### **St. Pat's Foundation Kitchen Party**

The fourth annual **Kitchen Party - A Christmas Ceili** - will be a delightful gathering of friends and loyal supporters of St. Pat's that features **live Celtic and Christmas music, wonderful food, and the opportunity to raise important funds for core resident-focused programs** that contribute to each person's wellbeing and quality of life. This includes **comprehensive spiritual and pastoral care programming** (e.g. Holy Mass six days per week, >2,500 pastoral visits per year, >225 anointing of the sick and other sacraments, >50 hymnal services on Donegal House, special feast day celebrations and more) **social and community engagement programs** (transportation to community events, boat cruises, Tim Hortons' visits, etc., as well as intergenerational programming), **music therapy and special musical performances**. For more information, please visit the Foundation website: <https://stpatsfoundation.ca/kitchen-party/>

Be well and stay safe,

**Monique Patterson**

Interim President and CEO