



South Hills Catholics Parish Grouping 218

Four parishes joined in faith, hope & love.

Dear Friends,

I hope you are well. These are extraordinary times. Sometimes we feel helpless. There is always something we can do. And this is why I am writing to you.

As best as we can determine, Parish Grouping 218 has 61 church members who are residing in 28 assisted living facilities or nursing centers. The Coronavirus pandemic has caused them to be truly "shut-in." They are allowed no visitors and they cannot leave. Even contact with others within the facilities is limited.

I have begun a project for which I need your help. I am calling it "Pandemic Pen Pals." My goal, our goal, is for every single church member whom we know about living in a residential facility have, at the very least, one person who will send weekly cards and notes. We've had a pretty good response so far. However, there are more people for whom a Pen Pal needs to be assigned.

Feel free to invite your friends, neighbors and relatives to join us. I will assign each of you a name and address of someone to write to. Use my E-Mail address: greenmb27@comcast.net.

These individuals need to know from their church community they are not alone or forgotten. I think our efforts will also help to ease the stress and concerns of their loved ones and family members.

I look forward to hearing back from you and am grateful for your attention, your time and if you are "in", your participation.

"Our help is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth. Take care, stay well and God bless.

Mary Beth Green
Pastoral Associate