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December 18, 2024

To: Mont St. Joseph Home, Residents, Families and Team Members,

With 2025 almost upon us, I want to take this opportunity to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, and to also provide an update to upcoming changes to our spiritual care department, which are scheduled to start December 29, 2024.

Mont St. Joseph Home Inc. or MSJ as we are commonly referred to in the community, is part of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Prince Albert and a sponsored Catholic entity under His Excellency, Bishop Stephen Hero. We are profoundly proud of our relationship with the Diocese and how that partnership assists us with living our Mission: **To give and receive care and compassion for mind, body and spirit based on Catholic Values and Christian Ethics.** It is this **Mission** which truly makes us different and allows our Residents and their families to flourish here at MSJ.

From the Health Ethics Guide:

**RESPONDING TO THE GOSPEL FOR COMPASSION AND HEALING SERVICES**

*Catholic health and social service organizations are a visible expression of the compassion and healing ministry of Christ and so bear witness to the Good News of the Gospel as expressed in the Catholic faith tradition. These organizations have a distinct spiritual vision and culture that directs them to attend with compassion and dignity to the needs of poor and vulnerable individuals. They fulfill this important role by being present to people at critical points where their lives can be fostered, namely, where they are born and die, where they are cured and healed, and where they are assisted when in trouble. The Catholic tradition sees this concrete involvement as a sacramental presence, an encounter with Christ. It is that vision which defines the quality of their relationship with those in need of care.*

As an active participant in the Diocese and in the greater community of Prince Albert, it has been identified to Mont St. Joseph Home that one of our partners, St. Mark's Parish, is in need of some assistance.

With this in mind and in-line with our Mission, we will be sharing Fr. DJ Vu for an indeterminate period of time with the Parish. In the giving and receiving of care, we agree that this is good for the Parish, the Diocese and for MSJ, and aligns with our Catholic social teaching. As an interim measure to ensure programming here does not erode, we will be bolstering our therapeutic recreation department to offset periods where he is in attendance at St. Mark's.

Fr. DJ has proven an in-valuable resource to the Residents and Families of MSJ and we are very appreciative of the Bishop's willingness to allow us to continue to utilize his talents in a half-time capacity, during this period.

In closing, I am so appreciative of each and every person who lives, works and visits our Home. It is you that truly makes us different. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns,

Sincerely,

Wayne Nogier, CEO  
Mont St. Joseph Home Inc.