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Dear Cathedral Families,

Our prayers at School and Mass this week were for our friends and families impacted by Influenza; and for those within our nation and around the world impacted by either Influenza or COVID-19, the novel coronavirus.

Cathedral School values the health and well being of our students, our families, and our staff; and we work throughout the year to promote the health of our Cathedral family. We recognize you may have heard in the news about the increased cases of seasonal influenza in Wisconsin this year, and about the release from the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), encouraging schools and communities to plan and respond to emerging communicable disease concerns.

We are in contact with the Douglas County Health Department and we are taking routine steps to reduce the spread of illness here at school. Our custodial staff continues to complete targeted and more frequent cleaning and disinfecting of our classrooms and school facility.

Additionally, as recommended by the CDC, we are reviewing and updating our preparedness plan so we are ready to respond to increased illness in our school should we experience that. If we have a situation of significantly increased illness, or if there were local cases of COVID-19, we will work closely with the Douglas County Health Department and will follow and adhere to their directions.

While a lot of attention has been given to COVID-19, seasonal influenza, and other respiratory viruses common at this time of the year; we encourage you to speak with your children about ways to stay healthy. We encourage everyone to wash their hands frequently with soap and water (at least 20 seconds), cover their nose and mouth when coughing and sneezing, and to stay home when they are sick.

We recognize the COVID-19 situation is constantly evolving and changing. We will continue to update our families with new information or guidance as it is made available. Meanwhile, please visit the links below for the continued updates and to learn more information about COVID-19:

- <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html>
- <https://www.douglascountywi.org/>

We encourage you to contact the Public Health Department if you have further questions.

Blessings,

Mrs. Samarziya

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