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**Regina Cleri, Home for Retired Priests in the Archdiocese of St. Louis,
Reports First Confirmed Case of COVID-19**

Regina Cleri, a residence for retired priests located in Shrewsbury, Mo., has reported its first confirmed case of COVID-19. The patient, a resident of the retirement home, tested positive this morning for the virus and has been hospitalized. The Archdiocese of St. Louis and leadership at Regina Cleri are working with St. Louis County health officials to ensure they are following all appropriate protocols.

Regina Cleri continues to adhere to the guidelines offered by the Center for Clinical Standards and Quality as well as the Department of Health and Human Services to ensure the health and safety of residents. This includes the following measures:

- The restriction of all visitors and non-essential personnel, except for health care workers and compassionate care situations such as hospice care.
- Daily health screenings for all essential employees and residents.
- Increased availability and accessibility of alcohol-based hand rubs (ABHRs), tissues and facemasks, as well as reinforcement of strong hand-hygiene practices and the use of non-touch receptacles for disposal.
- Increased regular professional cleanings for all areas within Regina Cleri.
- The use of gloves, masks and all appropriate personal protective equipment by Regina Cleri staff.

Residents continue to be closely monitored for symptoms, and leadership of the community as well as the Archdiocese of St. Louis will continue to be in communication with health officials to ensure all guidelines and protocols are followed.

Regina Cleri is home to 30 retired priests, supported by the Archdiocese of St. Louis, the Annual Catholic Appeal and the generosity of donors in the greater St. Louis area.

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