## **Our Experience with Covid-19**

First of all, we have many reasons for being thankful to God! None of the sisters so far has been sick and due to the presence of our chaplain Dom Chris it was possible to celebrate the Eucharist. The loyalty and help of our lay personnel, friends and even strangers have touched us deeply. We received donations, and services like shopping, trips to doctors and the pharmacy were done for us.

With our monastery gift shop and guesthouse closed we are grateful that we received orders for our craft shop. This allowed us to continue working and earn a living.

We are missing the people who usually come for Mass and attend the hours of prayer. Due to the small size of our oratory we still are not able to offer services for the public. We maintain by phone intensive contact to family and friends. There is noticeable concern for one another.

The news about the horrendous effects of Covid-19 in other countries gave our prayer a surge of new vigor. To support the efforts of people in fighting the pandemic we readily donated funds. The challenge is now that life continues. How can we live responsibly in face of the imminent dangers of Covid-19?