



TO: Friends and Supporters of ArchCare

FROM: Scott LaRue, President and CEO, ArchCare

RE: Support ArchCare's 2020 Gala – A Toast to ArchCare's Healthcare Heroes

Since the Church began building hospitals in the fourth century, care of the sick was placed above and before every other Christian duty. This long and respected tradition continues today because of the people who serve in health care; people who believe that we share a sacred responsibility to one another and to our community, especially in times of great need.

From the early signs that COVID-19 would have a significant impact upon the people of New York, we at ArchCare have been working faithfully to care for those we serve, many of whom are elderly and have medical conditions that put them at high risk for becoming infected with COVID-19. We also had the privilege of welcoming various religious orders throughout the archdiocese into our nursing homes so they could recover from the virus and preserve the safety of their convents. I am very proud of ArchCare's response to the pandemic which is the result of a tremendous amount of dedication and sacrifice from every member of our team.

I am writing to share with you the exciting news that we are transforming this year's annual **ArchCare Gala** into a **"Toast to ArchCare's Healthcare Heroes"** – a virtual celebration of our essential workers serving on the frontlines of the crisis, which will take place online on **Thursday, October 22**. As in past years, **Rosanna Scotto**, co-host of FOX5's *Good Day New York*, will be our host. The program will feature remarks from **His Eminence, Timothy Cardinal Dolan**, Archbishop of New York, as well as highlight some inspiring stories from our most deserving healthcare heroes. The program will also include inspiring and heartfelt tributes from several of ArchCare's past gala entertainers including comedy power couple and co-writers **Jeannie and Jim Gaffigan**, acclaimed jazz vocalist **Nicole Henry**, and premier vocalist group **The New York Tenors**. Proceeds from this year's Gala will fund ArchCare's new PROTECT initiative, which will implement \$1 million worth of improved infection control technology across ArchCare's system to protect employees and residents.

Donors and supporters are invited to participate in the celebration by joining the gala program virtually and from the comfort and safety of their own homes, while enjoying a special wine provided by ArchCare. Please learn more about ArchCare's frontline efforts in this [interview](#) and on ArchCare's [website](#).

Providing vital health care to individuals and communities in the midst of suffering is what ArchCare does every day, and will continue to do every day, with compassion, precision and, at times, sacrifice. The quality care and services we are privileged to deliver because of our Catholic tradition are needed today more than ever, as is engaging the depth of our mission to enable a vision far greater than this moment in time.

Please join me at this year's special online gala to ensure the sacred legacy of Catholic health care will endure for our children, for the communities we serve, and for generations to come. All sponsorship levels and their benefits are listed on the [reservation form](#) or on the [gala website](#). If you have any questions, please call ArchCare's Gala Office at (347) 545-1105 or email archcare@cmevents.net. Thank you for your continued support of our ministry during this extraordinary time.

Sincerely,



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