

# Find alternative ways to connect with family this Easter, CKL mayor

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Kawartha Lakes Mayor Andy Letham says he knows it's not a "typical Easter," but hopes people will find alternative means to spend time for friends and family.

Ahead of Easter weekend, Letham sent out a video message to residents. He asked residents to take time to "pause and reflect."

"I hope you find ways to spend time with each other and your loved ones, whether it be over the phone or FaceTime," he said.

"Let's not lose sight of the continuing tragedy at Pinecrest Nursing Home and keep those who were impacted in our thoughts as they go through this holiday weekend as well."

He noted the number of positive COVID-19 cases in Ontario and reminded residents physical distancing is important.

"Our first responders and front line health care staff will still be working around the clock this weekend because pandemic response does not take a holiday. They are out there every day working to keep our residents and community safe, so please do your part and stay home for them."

Letham said the community has come together since the pandemic started, and "we're starting to see progress."

"We've still got a long way to go but I know we're on the right track and if we stay the course I know absolutely we will get through this together."