

**SAINT ALOYSIUS – SAINT JUDE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
WEDNESDAY MARCH 1, 2023**

Those present were: Father Jack, Rick Cehon, Christina Roberts, Linda Buckley, Len Harmon, Jill Dupuis, and Pauline Lareau.

Father opened the meeting with a prayer.

Pauline read the minutes from the November meeting. Father asked the council if it would be OK to attach the minutes of the meeting to the bulletin. Council agreed. Minutes will be sent to Rick as soon as they are approved by Father.

We experienced two episodes of no heat in the church. Problem with the connector between the two oil tanks along with a blockage were resolved. Father had to cancel two Masses due to weather – February 23 and 28.

Fuel oil bills from October 2022 to February 2023 were \$5,766.00 for the church and hall and \$1,741.00 for the rectory giving a total of \$7,507.00. Cost of oil was \$3.55/gal.

Jill reported the next Ladies Guild meeting is Wednesday March 8 with a Lenten program by Father Jack. Abby's House will be the program for the April meeting. The annual Mystery Ride, Communion Breakfast, Mother's Day Raffle and Bake Sale will be in May.

The Leicester Fire Department is asking to use the hall six times every other Saturday from 9AM to 11:30AM beginning this Saturday for adult/child/infant CPR. They will pay \$100.00 for each session. Council approved.

We received a \$1,468.20 check in January from Legacy of Hope. The total for 11 checks so far is \$38,855.00. Total donation from the parish was \$103,472.00. Our goal for Partners in Charity is the same as last year - \$31,400.00 – which will be collected in March, April and May ending on Memorial Day weekend.

The Easter Triduum schedule is 7PM for Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday. Easter morning Masses will be 8AM and 10AM. Divine Mercy Holy Hour will be Sunday April 16 at 2PM.

Father Jack will take his #1 vacation week from April 17 – 21, 2023.

PARISHIONER CONCERNS

No word as yet from information on avenues Father has reached out to regarding having an organist. Father is thinking about greeting the parishioners after Masses possibly after Easter. He will add praying for the sick and world problems to the petitions at Masses.

Next and final meeting is Wednesday May 3, 2023.

Respectfully submitted, Pauline Lareau, Secretary