

**SAINT ALOYSIUS – SAINT JUDE PARISH COUNCIL/FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING
WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 2, 2022**

Father opened the meeting with prayer.

Those present were: Father Jack Lizewski, Mary Mattei, Chris Robert, Jill Dupuis, Bob Kennedy, Lynda Buckley, Pauline Lareau, and James Archibald, Parish Finance Advisor/Business Manager.

Father told us that the parking lines discussed at the September have been painted.

Jim presented us with the parish financial report. We have a Checking and Saving combined total of \$230,000.00 and we are debt free. We reached 52 – 53% of our Legacy of Hope campaign. So far we have received 10 checks totaling \$37,284.00.

Father is still pursuing getting a director of liturgical music (organist/choir director). He reached out to Assumption University for possibly a student or graduate. The American Guild of Organists – Worcester Chapter is another possibility.

Jill announced that the Ladies Guild Thanksgiving Basket raffle tickets will be sold weekends of November 12/13 and November 19/20 with the Bake Sale. Drawing for the Baskets and a \$100.00 check will be on the 20th. Only 1 scholarship will be given as only one student is eligible. Monies will be used for charities, annual breakfast, and help toward the Mystery Ride.

Masses for Immaculate Conception will be Wednesday December 7 at 7PM and Thursday December 8 at 9AM. Christmas Masses will be Saturday December 24 at 4:30 and 8 PM and December 25 at 9AM. New Years Masses will be December 31 at 4:30PM and January 1 at 9AM.

The blessing and give-away of the knitted/crocheted prayer shawls will be the weekend of December 10/11.

We have been with a fuel saving group since August 2013. The present cost of our oil is \$5.15/gallon reflecting a saving of \$.40/gallon.

Father will take his vacation week #4 November 14 – 18.

Some concerns from parishioners were discussed. Father will greet parishioners after Massed when he feels comfortable to do so. Having recorded music at Masses was suggested. Father is opposes to this as he feels it is not appropriate.

Respectfully submitted, Pauline Lareau, Secretary