St. Augustine Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes September 10, 2018

Present: Pat Urban, Lynn Shepard Scott, Matt Williams, Jim McKenna, Mary Francis Sabin, Marilyn Powell, Chris VanderVoort, Anne Domanico, Dc. John Pedrotti Fred Furtek, Deb Krisher

Excused: Dave Klementowski, Fr. Cliff Auth

Welcome:	Pat Urban	Meeting started at 6:25 pm.
Dinner	Pat Urban	All thanked Pat for a delicious dinner.
Opening Prayer	Pat Urban	
Approve Minutes from June 2018 Meeting	Pat moved & Anne seconded	Minutes from the June 2018 meeting were approved.
Pastoral Council – Selection of Officers	All	Pat handed out information for all members to update their notebooks. Members also selected the meetings that they would provide dinner or do the prayer for the meetings. All considered whether or not to serve as officers and the following were selected as officers for this coming year: Pat Urban – chair Matt Williams – vice chair Lynn Shepard Scott – secretary
Suggestion Box	Chris VanderVoort	One suggestion was the idea of starting a junior lector program, pairing up younger lectors with experienced lectors. Lectors need to be confirmed as this is an official role in the church. This suggestion was forwarded onto the Liturgy and Youth Ministry committees for consideration. Second suggestion was to let the congregation know when one of the masses in the coming week is a funeral at church who the funeral is for. This was referred to the Liturgy Committee. Marilyn has offered to handle the Suggestion Box for rest of the year.
Diocesan Pastoral	Anne Domanico	

Council		Anne served as the parish's representative to the Diocesan Pastoral Council and agreed to serve again this year.
		Anne reported on the September 8, 2018 meeting. Bishop Cunningham spoke about the sexual abuse crisis in light of the Pennsylvania grand jury report and the subpoenas issued to all dioceses in New York State for records that go back to 1950. The bishop discussed how things have changed dramatically in how these issues and allegations are handled by the diocese. The police are now contacted immediately, and the diocese has good working relationships with all of the District Attorneys in the diocese.
		Anne spoke with Fr. Cliff about this following the meeting and Fr. Cliff outlined some of the current programs in place to assess and treat those with credible allegations
		All members discussed this including the committee organized follow up to the town hall meetings that Fr. Cliff held recently.
		Report was sent to members prior to the meeting
		Liturgy Committee reviewed the plans for New Beginnings Weekend and several other special events:
		September 1-2 Back to School Blessing September 15-16 Installation and Blessing of St. Augustine Statue at the 5:15. September 23-24 Catechetical Sunday November 1 All Saints Day (HDO) mass at 12:10 at St Augustine's November 3 at the 5:15pm Liturgy, Mass of Remembrance November 22 Thanksgiving Day Mass 10:30 at St. Augustine's. St. Mary's and St. Augustine's will be sponsoring runners in the Baldwinsville, but that occurs earlier in the day. Turkey Trot. St Mary's will have a vigil mass.
Prayer Life & Worship	Jim McKenna	Lent Subcommittee: Short discussion on the Lent and Holy Week. We must follow the final agreed on plans of the joint committee of both parishes for Holy Thursday and Easter Vigil
		Readings for Liturgies: We have formed a committee to review the reading for the church year from the workbooks. The reading will be finalized before the workbooks are given to lectors. Fr. Cliff asked that we include St Mary's in the discussion. Membership (Mary Ann, Kris, John, Debbie and Nick plus St Mary's parishioners
		Fr. Cliff provided a brief synopsis of the listening sessions at both parishes on the recent church crisis. Fr. Cliff then discussed ways to develop programs or activities that will continue in the parish and have success that would be separate from the parish administration.
		Discussion regarding mass schedules and Fr. Cliff said that nothing will change in the near

		future. Wants to develop two options however, for both parishes that deal with the parish having two priests available or only one priest. We will work on a pulpit exchange with neighboring churches. Investigation will start with the Liturgical Team. Homebound connection: Fr. Cliff opened the meeting and discussed some ways to make the connection to the homebound, especially to ensure their safety during weather crisis (storms, etc.) Mass live streaming in the near future. Investigate other way to help. Communications and identification
Parish Outreach	Anne Domanico	Social Action Ministry discussed activities for September and Octorber Mike Conway, Coordinator of Helping Migrant Workers - Ongoing is the weekly or as needed trips to the migrant workers to deliver clothing and/or food through October, please contact Mike if you are interested in helping, mpconway@twcny.rr.com or call 315-638-1420. Cindy Falise, Coordinator of Samaritan Center Desserts - On-Going Monthly - If interested in making or purchasing desserts for the Samaritan Center, please contact Cindy at cfalise2@twcny.rr.com. Judy Carr, Coordinator of Bingo - Ongoing is Bingo at O'Brien Road Apartments. Two volunteers are needed to help senior citizens play bingo and one volunteer is needed to shout out the numbers. If interested, please contact Judy at retiredpoet72@gmail.com Karen Parsons, Coordinator of Chili Dinner for the Shelters — Saturday, September 22 starting at 4:00 p.m. will be the drop off desserts, muffins/bread and sandwiches. Again, there will be food drop off on, Sunday, September 23 starting at 7:30 a.m.; 9:30 a.m. and again at 3:00 p.m. All food drop-off will take place at the Parish Hall. We will also need servers to serve the chili at the Men's Shelter. Further information will be forthcoming. If interested in helping whether it be making sandwiches, desserts, etc., serving or cooking chili, please contact Karen at kkparsons321@gmail.com Kathy Kelley, Coordinator of the Produce Table - Ongoing September until harvest ends - If you have surplus of vegetables from your garden, you can bring them to church on Thursdays (during regular office hours) or Saturdays (before the 5:15 mass). Parishioners leave a donation and enjoy home-grown vegetables. Any money collected will be given to the Baldwinsville Food Pantry t the end of the season. Any questions, please contact Kathy at kathleenkelley62@twc.com Patty Bushnell, Coordinator of Sandwich Making for the Samaritan Center - Ongoing Monthly is the sandwich making for the Samaritan Center. Patty will coordinate with different groups within t

		Barb Pedrotti, Coordinator of Pet Supply Challenge – Starting Sunday, October 6 and continuing through the weekend of October 20 and 21 will be the Pet Supply Challenge. Parishioners will be able to donate food, toys, bedding, etc. for dogs, cats, etc. The donations will be given to local animal shelters. Any questions or to help Barb sort and deliver the supplies to local animal shelters, (Barb already has a list of volunteers but might need more help) please contact Barb at barbpedrotti@yahoo.com Jean Gentilcore, Coordinator of Veterans Gift Card Collection - Starting on the
		weekend of October 27 and 28 and continuing through the weekend of November 10 and 11 will be the Veterans Gift Card Collection. If interested in helping Jean with this project, contact her at igentilcor@aol.com . Jean will need people to collect gift cards from parishioners as they leave church after mass on the three weekends as well as people to help count and deliver the gift cards.
		Mike Conway and Karen Parsons, Coordinators for the St. Vincent DePaul Halloween Party will be held on Saturday, October 27 from 11 until 2. Further details will follow.
		Karen Parsons, Coordinator of the Gently Used Costumes Collection for the St. Vincent DePaul Halloween Party – will be held October 6 and 7 and October 13 and 14.
Spiritual Development	Pat Urban	No report this month as committees have not met yet.
Stewardship	Fred Furtek	Budget is close to where we were last year. Concern about Mardi Gras and the funds that it can bring in. The parking lot is a big upcoming capital expense. Ed Reinhart is surveying the lot now.
Pastoral Team report		Security Update - Main corridor is locked during pre-school hours. Cameras are being installed now and details are being worked on
	Deb Krisher	Youth Ministry – Committee from both parishes has been meeting all summer. Recommendations will include hiring youth minister; mosaic approach to have a variety of activities; want to make connections with families. Initial focus will be kids in grades 9-12, then expanding later to middle school grades.
		Next step is to talk with teens about these recommendations in September and then finalize the recommendations in October. Consensus is that the office of the youth minister would be at St. Augustine's.
		Follow up with Pastoral Council Candidates – still on the agenda to reach out to those that volunteered to be considered members of the Pastoral Council so we can capture their energy and enthusiasm.
Covenant Weekend	Pat Urban	Tentative date is April 27-28. We discussed this in June, and want to discuss this some more at our October meeting.

		Ideas such as weekend/party; then we open up a virtual covenant weekend after the party.
		What are the goals of Covenant Weekend?
Closing Prayer	All	Meeting adjourned at 8:25 pm