Social Ministry Meeting Minutes April 27, 2019 10-11:30 AT Branchport Library

Opening Prayer: Sharon Tyo Morning with Jesus…about seeing the world in black and white, then in color….reading and reflection…

Present- Sharon Tyo, Nancy Richardson, Linda Mayton, Jessica Levinson and Anne Meyer-Wilber

Old Business: Public Policy- best response ever!!! 246 signatures compared to 88 last year…with over 10,000 from diocese! Hope with pulpit support for continued growth next year. It is helpful to have someone at each exit.

Rice Bowl- Ash Wed. coin collection up to $538. Nancy will report on total once collection is counted. Watch bulletin! Anticipating great results!

Hunger Walk: May 5, Penn Yan, 1:00 Presbyterian Church … donations baskets will be at doors of St. Michaels the week end of walk. Let’s increase last years’ 3 walkers.

STEPS Poverty Walk in Bath on May 10th:  8 walkers last year from St Pats!!! Dress in green.

Pet Food Collection is coordinated by PY Council of Churches and in our parish by Fr. Leo. No report but we know it happened!

Grandmas Kitchen- Food prepared and served 3X at PYA with about 150 served each time. Well received. New this year: we prepared food at home and brought it to the site where we set it out and made pb ‘n j sandwiches. The Middle School requested we add them to schedule to feed their students. Anne will gather volunteers to serve 2 sessions after school. $ for supplies paid for by Social Ministries, which has averaged $100 per time.

Council of Churches Sunday Bus is going well with our great pool of volunteers. Most riders from Nursing homes are from St. Michaels! Council of Churches in Prattsburgh and Naples are almost non-existent.

Bread for the World: Peggy R feels strongly about this ministry. Could we do a tie in with Immigration? Nancy will check website. Peggy is asked to do a bulletin write up, please.

Human Trafficking- New York report card for legislation is a D. Jessica will discuss some steps already progressing to implement a program about a year from now. Ontario Co Trafficking Task Force Child Advocacy Center is celebrating 2019 Year of Human Trafficking Awareness.

OLOL Social Ministry Meeting Dates are Sept. 14 at St Jan’s, Nov. 16 at St Mike’s, Feb. 29 at St Pat’s and April 25 at St. Mike’s 10-11:30 am

Ministries for coming year (2019-2020) were worked on with dates, contacts and purpose discussed and decided upon.

Closing Prayer of thanks!