

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

632 South Broad Street, Mankato, MN

Pastor: Fr. John Kunz

Mass Schedule

Daily Mass: 8:15 am

Saturday Vigil: 5:15 pm

Sunday: 8:00 am, 10:00 am

Reconciliation

Saturday: 4:30 pm - 5:00 pm

Parish Office

632 South Broad Street, Mankato, MN

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Check out St. Johns on Facebook!

Sacraments of the Church

Baptism - Expectant parents who wish to present their child for Baptism must participate in Pre-Jordan class. Contact St. John's Family Ministry Director at 387-6928.

Marriage - Contact the parish office 1 year in advance of wedding date. Marriage prep is required.

Becoming Catholic - If you or someone you know are interested in becoming Catholic or Christian Initiation, please contact the parish office.

Sacrament of the Sick - Anointing

If you have a serious illness, are facing hospitalization and/or surgery, please contact the parish office to arrange to receive the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick.

St. John's Prayer Network -

To submit a prayer request, please call:

Mary Jo Roberts 388-8844 Or

Sandi Roberts 387-1372



October 9, 2011
28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

St. John the Baptist **Generations of Faith**

WELCOME TO GOF 2011-2012

THANK YOU

For your interest and Registration last weekend

First Session - Baptism and Confirmation

OCTOBER 12

First Session: 4-5:45 PM

Opening Prayer and Introduction

Station One: Reception of Child

Station Two: Baptism

Station 3: Light of Christ and Confirmation

GIVE INPUT on how we can use our new space!

EXPERIENCE the new space in mock-up form!

UNDERSTAND the sacrament and it's meaning in new ways!

MEAL 5:45- 6:15

Second Session: 6:15 – 8PM

Same curriculum as above for First Session

COME TO THE SESSION OF YOUR CHOICE

Registration available at first Session

Meal: Pulled Pork Sandwiches, baked beans, potato salad, home baked deserts.

This is a family based, intergenerational session, please come with your teens and elementary aged participants! We will move from station to station together.

Gospel Reading: Matthew 22: 1-14

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CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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ST. JOHN'S ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCILS**Pastoral Council:**

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**From the Pastor's Desk,**

After a beautiful week of warm weather, we know the fall season is the next step. Already the leaves are changing and the bite of the cool evening air makes us aware of another change soon afoot. The fall season is a beautiful time.

The Church's liturgy leads us to reflect on final things - death and resurrection, hell and heaven. It always seems a strange connection and timing. It's like the day of reckoning draws near and we must be ready. It's not unlike the winter season approaching. So see and begin to make proper preparations.

But for today we receive the invitation to enter the Lord's feast. It's a great event and we can trust it will bless us. Let us rejoice and celebrate the invitation that is ours.

Peace,

Fr. John

WE WANT TO HEAR YOUR OPINION!

St. John's Faith Formation Task Force is inviting all parishioners to fill out a survey online asking for your thoughts on how St. John's can serve your faith formation needs. We will use this information to design programs to meet identified needs. Your opinion is important to us. Follow the link below to the survey.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/FaithFormation2020>

40 DAYS FOR LIFE:**Prayer Vigil outside Planned Parenthood**

If you want to be involved with this peaceful vigil, St. John's days are October 6th and 23rd. Each day offers 12 hours to choose from, as an individual or couple. Call Katie at 327-4367 for more information.

OCTOBER IS PRO-LIFE MONTH:**Mark Your Calendars!**

October 8/9: Spiritual Adoption Recognition - Chance to inscribe your Spiritually Adopted Child's name into the Book of Innocents

October 15/16: Birthday Party for Spiritually Adopted Babies

October 22/23: Baby Shower in the elevator entrance – bring diapers, formula, and baby products for Catholic Charities and our Simon Ministry participants. (no clothes please)

October 29/30: Baby Bottles for Birthright go out – take one, fill with small change, and bring back by Thanksgiving.

AROUND THE PARISH

THE WEEK AHEAD . . .

Monday, October 10

Biblical Walk through the Mass - 1:00pm, JPII room

Biblical Walk through the Mass - 6:30pm, JPII room

Tuesday, October 11

Sunrise AA meeting - 6:30 am, Parish Library

Biblical Study, Matthew - 6:00pm

Wednesday, October 12

Legion of Mary - 9am, Marian Room

Generations of Faith 4-5:45 or 6:15-8pm, meal 5:45-6:15pm

Thursday, October 13

Simon Ministry - 10:30 am - Noon, Door 7

Laurels Peak Mass - 3 pm, Laurels Peak

Acts Bible Study (6) - 6:30pm, JPII room

St. John's Men's Club - 7 pm

Marian Prayer Group - 7pm, Adoration Chapel

Friday, October 14

Early Risers AA - 6:30 am, Matthews Hall

Al-Anon - 6:30 am, Parish Library

Friday Fellowship - 8:45am Matthews Hall

Saturday, October 15

Sunday, October 16

Children's Liturgy - 10:00am Mass

PASTORAL CARE

Please let us know if you homebound, in the hospital, or in difficult circumstances and need meals brought or other help. We can schedule the help you need in the way you desire. It is always our wish here at St. John's to keep you connected as part of our parish family.

Call Mary Beth at 387-6928 for more information

SIMON MINISTRY

The boxes are still out at the entrances (all 4!) for your Simon Ministry Donations. Thanks for your generosity – many people are in great need. Special thanks to those who have given gas coupons – these are really a help for people who are looking for work, or trying to get to a new job.

God Bless you all for your GENEROSITY in these difficult times!

18TH ANNUAL CHICKEN DINNER

October 29, 2011

6-7pm, Matthews Hall

All you can eat home cooked chicken dinner

Complete with fresh pie and beverages. Cost is \$7.00 per adult, \$3.00 per child (12 and under) and pre-schoolers free. There is a family price of \$21.00. Take out delivery service is available. Sponsored by the Men of St. John's Parish.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Thank You Good and Faithful Stewards

Adult Env.	\$ 15,039.00
Offertory	\$ 623.07
Electronic Giving	\$ 3,859.63
\$1 Youth Envelopes	\$ 178.00

St. John's Young Stewards of Time & Treasure

Children's Envelopes	\$ 21.75
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(Talent comments taken from Children's Envelopes

I helped make supper

I helped clean up our toys

I helped mom pick apples

I helped mommy put dishes away

I helped daddy combine beans

I remembered to say prayers at night

I played with baby and shared toys

I took out the garbage

2011 Annual Diocesan Appeal

"Spirit And Life" (www.dow.org)

"Your word, O Lord, is Spirit and Life"

~ John 6:68

As of September 26, 2011:

Parish Goal: \$69,280	# of Donors: 307
Amount Pledged: \$41,219	% of Participation: 22.91%
Percent of Goal: 59.49 %	

"Manifesting our Love for the Gospel Message"

**The Nursery is under construction at this time.
See future bulletins for opening date.**

VIRTUS TRAINING

WHAT IS IT? DO I HAVE TO ATTEND?

VIRTUS identifies best practices programs designed to help prevent wrongdoing and promote "right doing" within religious organizations. VIRTUS takes the place of Safe and Sacred and is the current diocesan mandated misconduct training for all lay volunteers in the church.

If you have not attended or completed a Safe and Sacred training in the past 9 months, and are involved in ministry with youth and/or vulnerable adults, you are required to complete the VIRTUS training.

You must pre-register for the session. For instructions on how to pre-register, please call the parish office at 625-3131. Thank you!

Upcoming VIRTUS Training Sessions:

Mon., 10/10 6:30 p.m. St. Matthews, Vernon Center
Sun., 10/23 11:15 a.m. St. Joseph, Good Thunder

JOURNEY TO CHRISTIAN INITIATION
Sacramental Formation & Celebration

**First Reconciliation and
First Holy Eucharist**

“I learn About the Rules of Love”

Today’s Gospel reminds us that God invites all of us to his kingdom. How do we respond to this invitation? In theological terms, God has granted us free will to accept or reject salvation. The parable of the wedding feast reminds us that God desires our wholehearted acceptance of his invitation to salvation.

As you gather as a family, discuss what you consider appropriate attire for various occasions. For example, if your family were invited to a neighbor’s barbecue, what would you wear? If you were planning to attend the symphony, what might you wear? If invited to an evening wedding, what might you wear? Discuss how our preparations for an event and our choice of attire indicates the importance and value we place on the occasion. In today’s Gospel Jesus uses this metaphor to talk about the kingdom of heaven. Read Matthew 22:1-14. Discuss why the guest was thrown out of the wedding feast. What does Jesus expect of those who accept his invitation of salvation? What would be the evidence of our conversion to God’s salvation? Pray together as a family that you will respond wholeheartedly to God’s invitation to salvation. Pray together today’s psalm, Psalm 23

Our next Sacramental Preparation session is October 19, 2011 in the Parish Life Center.

Child care is not available at this time. If you or anyone you know would like to volunteer for child care please call Connie at 625-3131.



We welcome our newest Christians into the family of God and St. John’s parish.

Evelyn Catherine Gruenzner,
Daughter of
David & Jennifer (Salfer) Gruenzner

STEWARDSHIP of SPACE

This past weekend a plastic drinking cup was flushed down the toilet in the office hallway bathroom. A contractor needed to be called in to dislodge the cup ... \$149. Please help us care for our buildings and space by not flushing unwanted items down the toilets. It’s important that we all need to take responsibility for our buildings.



**ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST
CAPITAL CAMPAIGN UPDATE**

It’s never too late to donate to the campaign! Every dollar helps us as we begin the construction and remodeling. Thank you to all from the parish who have generously pledged or provided a gift to the campaign. **THANK YOU!**

**RENOVATION PROJECT UPDATE:
“BEHIND THE WALL”**

“Behind the Wall” this week you will notice the earth has been moved, the hole has been dug for the foundation of the new Gathering Space and the footings have been laid. Dust is flying as we see progress being made every day! We’ve felt the building shake a few times with the large machinery and the work being done! Our contractor, R.W. Carlstrom Construction is working hard to get the footings in place before the ground freezes. We thank Arnie Nimps, our Construction Manager and his crew of hard workers for their work this week. The St. John’s bell tower stands proud and tall as work goes on around it. We ask God for His continued grace and blessing on our project. May He bless the contractors and laborers working on it. Please be considerate and leave the closest parking spots for the elderly and physically challenged and utilize the large parking lot near the rectory in the future.

**Stewardship Reflection for the Week of
OCTOBER 9, 2011**

Posted by www.theCatholicSteward.com

“It often seems that everything is against us. The universe is vast, and society is complex. No one seems to care what we want. Part of that feeling is because we are creatures, and therefore limited. But part of this is the result of original sin, which causes us to want to make ourselves the center of the world, and we view every desire as a genuine need.

St. Paul, however, wrote to the Philippians that he had learned to be content whether he had abundance or was hungry. In fact, he could even write, “My God will fully supply whatever you need, in accord with his glorious riches in Christ Jesus.” His trust in the Lord was not some sort of lofty sentiment expressed in comfort. No, he wrote this while a prisoner in a miserable Roman jail.

When we have learned to view the world as St. Paul did, from the perspective of trust in God, it changes the way we view the gifts of time, talent, and treasure we have received, and we want to use them for God’s glory and the service of others. Then we’ll experience the Messianic banquet of which the Eucharist is the foretaste and accept Jesus’ invitation, the only invitation that really matters.”



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St. John's Family Ministry is always open to



The goal of St. John's Family Ministry is to
Inspire, Equip, and Support
ALL families of St. John's parish.

Please email, call or drop us a line with ideas that would help us to accomplish this goal.

It's easy to feel disconnected, as many parents juggle work, school, kids, and activity after activity. But some simple things can bring a family closer - playing games, going for a hike, or cooking a meal together.

One of the most satisfying, fun and productive ways to unite is volunteering for church or community service projects. Volunteerism also sets a good example for your kids and helps the community.

Reasons to Get Involved

Why should your family lend a helping hand?

1. **It feels good.** The satisfaction and pride that come from helping others are important reasons to volunteer. When you commit your time and effort to an organization or a cause you feel strongly about, the feeling of fulfillment can be endless.
2. **It can strengthen your family.** Volunteerism is a great way for families to have fun and feel closer. But many people say they don't have the time to volunteer after work and other family commitments. If that's the case, try rethinking some of your free time as a family. You could select just one or two projects a year and make them a family tradition.

What better way to bring a family together than to ALL work side by side on a common cause. *See the new Stewardship Catalog for ways to volunteer at St. John's.*

COME PREPARED

Next weeks Gospel Reading: **Matthew 22: 15-21**
"Give to Caesar what is Caesar's, and to God what is God's."

Step-Family Group - Wed, Oct. 12th at 6:30 p Sacred Heart Church, Waseca, MN

An 8 Session Faith Formation Group to a Healthy Stepfamily. Through eight engaging sessions you'll learn useable solutions for everyday living and glean valuable insight and practical tips for raising your step-family. Contact michelle@compassionmn.com or 507-310-1321. Limited number. Only cost, \$15 for books. Presenter: Michelle Muff, MA, LAMFT and DVD with Ron Deal

MOM's LUNCH OUT

October 11th, 12-1:30 pm

Good Counsel Hill

This little pause in the day could be just what you need !!

Cost: \$12 if you are able

Exploring Loss, Grief and Transition: A day of reflection, prayer and healing.

Tuesday, October 18

9:30am -3:30pm

Good Counsel Hill

Cost: \$40, includes lunch

To register for both of the above sessions, contact S. Mary Jo Welter at 507-389-4266

Recipe: **Enchiladas**

From the Kitchen of: Deb Winch (thumbs up from Deb's boys!!)



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| 1 lb hamburger | 1 can refried beans |
| 1 pkg taco seasoning | 1 can enchilada sauce |
| 1 pkg tortillas | 1 can Hormel chili w/beans |
| Shredded cheese | 1 can tomato soup |
| 1 sm onion | |

Brown hamburger and onions; add taco seasoning. Add refried beans to hamburger and set aside. In a bowl combine enchilada sauce, chili and tomato soup.

Spray two 9x13in. pans. Place 4 tortillas in each pan and fill with hamburger mixture. Fold tortillas and pour enchilada sauce over all tortillas. Top with cheese. Bake at 350 degrees for 30 minutes. Serve with your favorite toppings, lettuce, sour cream, tomatoes, black olives, etc.

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What should I make for supper? Share your recipes or ideas for special meals that make a big hit with your family - stjohnch@hickorytech.net OR drop them off at the parish office



October 2011



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Weekday Masses: 8:15 am (daily) Weekend Masses: Saturday - 5:15 pm, Sunday - 8:00 & 10:00 am Confession: Saturdays, 4:30 pm						1 <i>Wedding of Sally Stenzel & James McShane</i> Youth Sleepout
2 Children's Liturgy 10a Mass Stewardship Sign-Up at all Masses Blessing of the Animals 1 pm, Park	3 <u>BWTM (3) - 1 p, JP II</u> <u>BWTM (4) - 6:30p, JP II</u>	4 <u>AA Meeting - 6:30 a, Lib</u> <u>Piecemakers-9a-3p, MH</u> <u>Worship Committee</u> 7p, JP II Rm	5 <u>Legion of Mary - 9a, MR</u> Keystone Mass 10a <u>Choir for Christ 5:15p</u> <u>Spirit Singers 6:30p CL</u> SIX: 7D8 - 6:30 p ▲ <u>T3 Bible Study - 6:30p</u> CONNECT - 7 PM ▲	6 <u>Simon Ministry</u> 10:30a-12p- Door 7 <u>Laurels Peak Mass 3p</u> <u>Journey to Justice</u> 5:30p, MR <u>Acts (5) BS - 6:30p, JP II</u> <u>Initiation Ministry - 7p, lib</u> <u>Marian Prayer Grp - 7p</u>	7 <u>Early Risers AA-MH</u> <u>Al-Anon-Library</u> both at 6:30a <u>Friday Fellowship-8:45a</u> <u>Pre-Jordan - 6-8 pm</u> ▲	8 <i>Wedding of Maggie McLoone & Tom Dawson</i>
9 Children's Liturgy 10a Mass	10 <u>BWTM (4) - 1 p, JP II</u> <u>CCW Mtg- 5p, JP II Rm</u> <u>BWTM (5) - 6:30p, JP II</u>	11 <u>AA Meeting - 6:30 a, Lib</u> <u>Bible Study M - 6 p</u>	12 <u>Legion of Mary - 9a, MR</u> GENERATIONS OF FAITH 4-5:45 p or 6:15-8 p <u>Matthews Hall</u> ▲ ▲ ▲	13 <u>Simon Ministry</u> 10:30a-12p- Door 7 <u>Laurels Peak Mass 3p</u> <u>Acts (6) BS - 6:30p, JP II</u> <u>Initiation Ministry - 7p, lib</u> <u>SJB Men's Club - 7p, SE</u> <u>Marian Prayer Grp - 7p</u>	14 <u>Early Risers AA-MH</u> <u>Al-Anon-Library</u> both at 6:30a <u>Friday Fellowship-8:45a</u>	15
16 Children's Liturgy 10a Mass	17 <u>BWTM (5) - 1 p, JP II</u> <u>Rev BS (6) - 6:30p, JP II</u>	18 <u>AA Meeting - 6:30 a, Lib</u> <u>Bible Study M - 6 p</u> <u>Finance Council</u> 6p, Marian Rm <u>Knights of Columbus</u> <u>Officer's Mtg - 6:15p</u> <u>General Mtg - 7p</u>	19 <u>Legion of Mary - 9a, MR</u> <u>Choir for Christ 5:15p</u> <u>1st Reconciliation Pro</u> ▲ 6-7:30m, PLC ▲ <u>Spirit Singers 6:30p CL</u> ▲ CONNECT - 7 PM ▲	20 No School <u>Simon Ministry</u> 10:30a-12p- Door 7 <u>Laurels Peak Mass 3p</u> <u>Acts (7) BS - 6:30p, JP II</u> <u>Initiation Ministry - 7p, lib</u> <u>Marian Prayer Grp - 7p</u>	21 MEA <u>Early Risers AA-MH</u> <u>Al-Anon-Library</u> both at 6:30a <u>Friday Fellowship-8:45a</u>	22 WYD at all Masses
23 World Youth Sunday Children's Liturgy 10a Mass <u>Knights of Columbus</u> ▲ Pancake Breakfast after 8 & 10 am Mass ▲	24 <u>BWTM (6) - 1 p, JP II</u> <u>Rev BS (7) - 6:30p, JP II</u>	25 <u>AA Meeting - 6:30 a, Lib</u> <u>Bible Study M - 6 p</u> <u>Pastoral Council</u> 7:15p, JP II Rm.	26 <u>Legion of Mary - 9a, MR</u> <u>1st Reconciliation Pro</u> ▲ 6-7:30m, PLC ▲ <u>Spirit Singers 6:30p CL</u> <u>T3 Bible Study - 6:30p</u> <u>Cemetery Walk</u> ▲	27 <u>Simon Ministry</u> 10:30a-12p- Door 7 <u>CCW Bus Trip</u> <u>Plymouth Playhouse</u> <u>Laurels Peak Service 3p</u> <u>Acts (8) BS - 6:30p, JP II</u> <u>Initiation Ministry - 7p, lib</u> <u>Marian Prayer Grp - 7p</u>	28 <u>Early Risers AA-MH</u> <u>Al-Anon-Library</u> both at 6:30a <u>Friday Fellowship-8:45a</u>	29 RAKE THE TOWN 9 a - 1 p SJB Men's Club Chicken Dinner 6p, Matthews Hall
30 <u>Family Mass Sunday</u> ▲ ▲ ▲	31 Halloween <u>BWTM (7) - 1 p, JP II</u>					

MASS INTENTIONS AND DAILY READINGS

Monday, October 10 - *Rom 1:1-7; Lk 11:29-32*

8:15 am Patrick Killion†

Tuesday, October 11 - *Rom 1:16-25; Lk 11:37-41*

8:15 am Lorraine McGuire†

Wednesday, October 12 - *Rom 2:1-11; Lk 11:42-46*

8:15 am Parishioners of St. John's

Thursday, October 13 - *Rom 3:21-30; Lk 11:47-54*

8:15 am Frances Schuh†/ Mary Catherine Dondero†

Friday, October 14 - *Rom 4:1-8; Lk 12:1-7*

8:15 am Virgel Winter†

Saturday, October 15 - *Rom 4:13, 16-18; Lk 12:8-12*

5:15 am Mary Goettl†/ Mary Ann Baker†

Sunday, October 16 - *29th Sunday In Ordinary Time*

8:00 am Clair Haefner†

10:00 am Jack Welle†/ Geneva Garver†/ Josephine Becker†

LITURGICAL MINISTERS for October 15/16

Eucharistic Ministers

5:15 pm Stephanie Adams, Beth Baker, Dale & Barbara Barrie,
Lynn Beadell, Bonnie Bennett, John Bulcock, NEED SUB

8:00 am Samantha Schaffer, Donna Schaffer, Karon Sheldon,
Bill Simonette, Dave & Pat Sullivan, Chad Witte, NEED SUB

10:00 am Kristin Folk, Jay & Michelle Folk, Vicki Franco,
Jerry & Lucy Goblirsch, Diane Hanly, Steve Ziegler

Gift Bearer

5:15 pm Alice DiMeglio & Family

8:00 am Michael McLoone & Family

10:00 am Kenneth Duden & Family

Lector

5:15 pm Bonnie Bennett & Douglas Peterson

8:00 am Mary Homan & Brian Hughes

10:00 am Mike & Nell Ulman

Sacristans

5:15 pm Ann Kuzma 10:00 am Becki Stranik

8:00 am Paul Harguth

Mass Servers

5:15 pm Gretchen Adams, Jackson & Lucas Baker

8:00 am Jacob & Kathryn Homan, Carlee Schaffer

10:00 am Kaitlyn Frutiger, Kayla & Taylor Gross

Ushers

5:15 pm Team 3 10:00 am Team 11

8:00 am Team 7

Weekday Eucharistic Minister (Oct. 10-14)

8:15 am Bonnie Gallagher

Laurels Peak Mass (October 13)

2:45 pm Maxine Ganske & Laurett Van Deusen

Traveling Trust Box (October 15/16)

Mike & Karen Wells & Family

AROUND AND ABOUT

The Church Basement Ladies bus has a couple seats still available, if you are interested in attending the Plymouth Playhouse "A Mighty Fortress is Our Basement" or having your name added to the waiting list in case someone cannot attend, please call the parish office at 625-3131.

If you would like some orange daylilies, we have some that need to be moved. Call Pat at 345-3662.

NCYC PILGRIMAGE FUND RAISING

Hello from the St. John's youth attending an NCYC pilgrimage in November. We have been busy over the summer working towards our goal but we still have some more work to do. We will be hosting a few more fund raisers in the upcoming weeks to help defray the cost of our pilgrimage and are excited about reaching our goal. **How can you help?**

Would you please consider donating any previously loved books for our book sale? Our sale will be held during the KC Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, October 23. Please bring your family and friends and join us for a delicious breakfast. Thank you to the KC's for this opportunity.

Donated books can be placed in the box by the elevator entrance. We appreciate all your prayers and financial support as we make this faith commitment and grow in Christ's love. NCYC youth group.

Come to the Shrine for Schoenstatt's Founding Celebration on October 23rd at 27762 County Rd 27, Sleepy Eye, MN. Schedule: 10 am Talk by Sr Petra-Memories of Schoenstatt's Founder, Father Kentenich. Lunch at Noon, Confession at 1:30, Mass at 2:30 pm, with closing benediction and refreshments. Call 507-794-7727.

AN EVENING OF MUSIC & FAIR TRADE

When: Monday, October 17, 2011

Where: Red Sky Lounge, 520 S. Front St., Mankato

Time: 6:00 - 8:30pm

Cost: \$25/per person \$15/for students

A multi-media MAFTTI fundraising event with hors d'oeuvres & stories about Fair Trade. Music provided by: FISH FRYE - SISTER GIN - JIM MCGUIRE TRIO

Tickets available at Cafe Ambrosia, Coffee Hag, Fillin' Station, Smiley Cup, Red Sky Lounge or call Arlene Renshaw (507) 387-5329 or St. John's Church, Mary Beth at 387-6928.

For more info visit our website at www.maftti.org