



CATHOLIC EDUCATION MINISTRIES

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Dear Youth Leaders,

I want to invite and encourage you and your middle school youth in grades 6-7-8 to participate in a fun and faith-filled event on the last Friday of October.

This Diocesan Middle School Gathering is scheduled from 6:00 – 8:30 PM at St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church at: 219 2nd St N, Sartell, MN 56377. The evening is designed to bring middle school youth together for prayer, food, fun, and to celebrate being an important and vital part of our Church. The event will feature: supper, games, music, fun, prayer, fellowship and learning about our faith. Cost for the event is a suggested \$50.00 per parish or \$5.00 donation per person as participants are able to help to defray costs.

Our primary presenter for the evening is Jesse Manibusan. He is a Catholic lay evangelizer. He earned an MA in Multicultural Ministries at the Franciscan School of Theology, Graduate Theological Union in Berkeley, CA, and has served the Church as music director, youth worker, catechist, pastoral associate and itinerant minister. Jesse is a singer, songwriter, storyteller and a self proclaimed Joy Cultivator. Jesse travels the world, giving parish missions, concerts, and workshops. Jesse's music and ministry are a partnership with Oregon Catholic Press, www.ocp.org. Visit Jesse at www.jessemanibusan.com.

Here is the Schedule of the event:

6:00 PM Fellowship and Food

6:30 PM Welcome, Prayer, and Group Mixers with Tony Ducklow

7:10 PM Jesse Manibusan – Keynote and prayer

8:20 PM Closing

8:30 PM Dismiss

Please register your group at: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/KGG9ZBF>

Feel free to call CEM at 320-251-0111 or visit: www.stcdio.org/msy-gathering.org

I look forward to seeing you on the 26th!

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