

# **FAIR TRADE STORE**

The Fair Trade Store is looking for new helpers who want to promote fair wages for poor farmers in developing countries of the world and also provide high quality organic coffee, chocolate, tea and cocoa at a low cost to our parishioners. Each product is sold for just 25 cents above cost – far below what it would cost in a grocery store. That 25 cents from every sale goes to support IHM's sister community in Somatillo, Nicaragua.

The Fair Trade store sells fair trade coffee, chocolate, tea and cocoa. We buy our products from Equal Exchange, a Fair Trade organization which works with local, small farmers in underdeveloped countries of South America, Africa and Asia to guarantee them a fair price for their products. This enables them to provide proper food and education for their children. Equal Exchange also offers basic medical care for farmers and their families and helps local farmers to form their own co-ops.

**We are in desperate need of more volunteers to work on Sunday, but additional Saturday volunteers would be welcome as well.**

Volunteers are required to work about once every 4-6 weeks. Saturday volunteers set out the product display before Mass, and sell after Mass. Sunday volunteers sell products after Mass, take inventory, and put the unsold products back in the storage cabinet. Don Stillwagon manages the Fair Trade Store program for IHM and St. William. Thank you for selecting **Fair Trade Store** on the Time & Talent Sheet, and submitting your form.