

# CHERUB CHAT

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## MISSION STATEMENT:

Grand Traverse Area Catholic Schools are dedicated to providing a Catholic education ensuring educational quality for all families willing to enter into a partnership to develop each child to his or her fullest spiritual and academic potential.

## Upcoming Events:

**2/15** No School ~ Teacher In-service

**2/17** Ash Wednesday Mass 9:30 @ St. Francis

**2/18** No School Mass

**2/17** Hearing Screening Kindergarten & 2nd

**2/19** Grub Day

**2/19** Cherub Tales 11:00-11:30 In Holy Angels Library

**2/22-24** Preschool Vision & Hearing



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Deadline for submissions to this newsletter is Thursday @ 11:00 a.m.

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## FROM THE DESK OF MRS. TROPPEMAN

Happy St. Valentines Day. We celebrate this special day by expressing our love and care for family and friends by giving love letters, notes, sweets and gifts. If you think about it, God calls us to be his "Valentine" each day by the gifts He lavishes on us like our loving families, caring friends and parish and school families. Hopefully St. Valentines Day will not only be a time when we express our love to each other but also a time when we take the opportunity to be with God and let Him know how much we love Him.

On Thursday, the day of our Student Liturgy, it was the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes. It was this day in 1858 that Mary appeared to a young girl named Bernadette in the city of Lourdes. She was told by Mary to dig for water and Bernadette found a spring that still flows today. Many miraculous healings have occurred with the water from this spring. Which is why this day is also known as World Day for the Sick. Fr. Bill, our celebrant, asked the children to always pray for the sick and to pray that God continues to work through people to help cure disease and sickness. Fr. Bill also reminded us that we are called by God to take care of ourselves and each other. It was a wonderful homily!

This Wednesday begins the season of Lent, where its seven weeks will take us from the end of winter clear through to the beginning of spring. During this season, the Church asks us to be more prayerful, to make our lives more simple and to share what we have with those who are in need. Everything is made simple so we can prepare for the celebration of Easter. On Wednesday at 9:30 AM, we will have a Student Liturgy and everyone will receive ashes on their foreheads. This powerful sign has been used by God's people for hundreds of years. The cross of ashes tells friends and neighbors that we are not perfect but with the help of Jesus, we will try during Lent to become better. Please join us on Wednesday in prayer. May God's love and the love of your family totally embrace you on this Valentines Day and always!

Serving Children and Christ,  
Janet Troppman

**GRUB DAY FRIDAY FEBRUARY 19<sup>th</sup>** This Friday we are scheduled for a grub day. We will be collecting money to help support our Local Right To Life office. For every \$25 that we collect we are able to sponsor them for a day and help keep their doors open. Thank you for your support as we continue to reach out to those in need and make an effort to be Christ's hands and feet on this earth.

Grand Traverse Area Right To Life serves Grand Traverse, Leelanau, Benzie, Wexford and Antrim Counties by providing a pro-life voice in our community through:

- A Pro-Life lending library
- A Pro-Life voice on the phone
- A Pro-Life contact for local media
- Pro-Life Youth Presentations and Rallies
- Pro-Life local advertising
- Pro-Life Speakers to our local community
- Pro-Life educational programs for churches
- Pro-Life mailings
- Post Abortion counseling referrals
- Pregnancy counseling referrals
- Adoption referrals

**Your donations will help Grand Traverse Area Right to Life work to protect the precious gift of life in our local community.  
Thank You and God Bless!!**



**Our Prayers Are With . . .**

- All those in our school and church family that are battling illnesses.
- Our GTACS system ~ that we strive persistently to give God glory through our thoughts, words, and deeds.
- All Priests, as Pope Benedict has declared this The Year Of Priests. Especially those that are part of our GTACS Family.

**Thank you, Sweet Jesus for answered prayers!**

Please feel free to contact us with any prayer requests that you would like us to share in our weekly Cherub Chat.

My School Is Cool

Holy Angels is competing against other schools for \$5,000 from the Grand Traverse Mall My School Is Cool program. Next Saturday, the 20<sup>th</sup>, there is an NMC BBQ kick-off ticket sales event at the mall. For every ticket purchased, Holy Angels will earn a whopping 500 points! The barbeque isn't until Sunday, May 16<sup>th</sup>, but by purchasing your tickets on Feb. 20<sup>th</sup> between 11am and 4pm, the price is only \$5 per person, plus you help Holy Angels in the competition. I am happy to buy the tickets for you to save you a trip to the mall. We will be taking prepaid orders next week. For those of you who want to buy them yourselves at the mall, please let me know how many tickets you purchased so we can get our point credit. Please watch for an order slip to come home with your child.

Yearbook Photo's

Please begin sending your collection of 2009-2010 student photos to the office for our yearbook. If you are able to send them on a disk, please do so. Two or more students per photograph preferred. Thank you

Crystal Mountain Reminder

Just a reminder that this Friday February 12 there will be no school program skiing at Crystal Mt. This is our last black out date of the year.

Single trip tickets will be available for Friday February 19, 26 & March 5<sup>th</sup>. Any questions call Mark or Jerri Gabriel at 929-3911 or email skigtacs@charter.net

Lunch Duty Schedule: 10:20-12:15

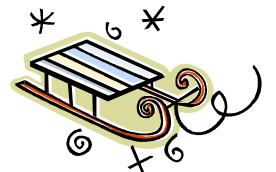
<u>Monday 15th</u>	<u>Tuesday 16th</u>	<u>Wednesday 17th</u>	<u>Thursday 18th</u>	<u>Friday 19th</u>
No School	<b>Sub Needed</b> Luke Biggar Annemarie Jenkins	Spencer Primeau Katherine Kiessling Samantha Berta	Casey Donahue Ella Provins Charlie Black	Patrick Byrne Zack Witczak Luke Krcmarik

IMPORTANT Basketball Clinic Date Change

The 1<sup>st</sup> grade through 5<sup>th</sup> grade basketball clinic that was scheduled for this Saturday the 13<sup>th</sup> has been rescheduled and the registration deadline has been extended!! The clinic will now be held at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Middle School on Saturday March 6<sup>th</sup>. Registration will take place from 1:00-1:30 and the clinic will end at 4:00. The new registration deadline is Monday March 1<sup>st</sup>. If you have already signed up for the clinic, you will be automatically signed up for the March 6<sup>th</sup> date unless we hear otherwise. We are sorry for any inconvenience this may cause and we look forward to a great clinic on March 6<sup>th</sup>. Please contact Linda Schell ([lschel@gtacs.org](mailto:lschel@gtacs.org)) or Kathi Sheldon ([kasbythebay@aol.com](mailto:kasbythebay@aol.com)) with any questions you might have.

Save The Date

Please save the date, February 26<sup>th</sup> 6-9pm, for our first annual GTACS Glacier Glow hosted by the PTC!! Join us for a fun filled evening for the whole family at Timber Ridge Recreation Park, with games, food, snow sports, sledding, bon fires and great company! Watch for the informational flyer coming home next week!



2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Brownies

Our next Brownie meeting will be Friday, Feb. 19<sup>th</sup>. See you then!

*The Difference Is Prayer*