

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:

12/8 Feast Of The Immaculate Conception Mass @ 9:30 @ SF Parish

12/10 No Mass

12/17 Advent Program SF Gym @ 6:30 p.m.

12/18 Grub Day

12/18 State Theater Trip

12/22 Full Day

12/23 Christmas Break Begins

1/4 School Resumes

Blessed are they who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be satisfied.

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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

Advent Greetings! A new Liturgical year has begun and as always we begin our year with the season of Advent. It is a time to remind us how we are to be prepared always for the second coming of Jesus Christ. At Christmas, we will remember the first coming of Jesus by celebrating His birth. During Advent we try to prepare our homes and our lives for Jesus, the Prince of Peace. Next week we will celebrate the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, which is Tuesday, December 8th. It is a Holy Day of Obligation and we will have our student liturgy at 9:30 AM at St. Francis Church. Please come and join us in prayer for this special feast day in honor of Mary.

Preparations are underway for our Advent Program, which is Thursday, December 17 at 6:30PM. As in past traditions, this program is the children's Christmas gift to their parents and for all who attend. If your child has a reading part or is part of any of the Nativity scenes, you will receive a letter next week informing you of what they will be doing. Our little angels have been practicing their songs already and we will be practicing our songs at FROG Time as a whole school for the next two Mondays. It is a special time of the year!

Our first snow has arrived and we would like to remind you that boots, snow pants, hats, mittens or gloves should be part of your child's daily attire! They were so excited to go outside on Thursday! There was only an inch but to them it seemed a lot. Then today's snow was even better! Their excitement and joy was contagious!

I will continue to pray for you and your family that you are able to spend more time preparing for the coming of Christ and that you are able to remain focused on the true meaning of Christmas.

Serving Children and Christ,
Janet Troppman



Our Prayers Are With . . .

- All those in our school and church family that are battling illnesses.
- The Pax Family.
- 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!

GTACS

Directories!

2009-2010 GTACS directories are available for sale in the office; \$5.00 each.

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

Keep Them Warm

As the weather has now officially turned to a winter wonderland, please be mindful of a few things:

1. Hats
2. Mittens/gloves
3. Boots
4. Extra socks for them to keep in their backpacks.
5. Label everything with your child's name.

Christmas Giving Trees



Wondering what to get your child's teacher for Christmas? How about something for their classroom or certificates for their yummy school lunches? Outside each classroom is a Christmas Giving Tree trimmed with ornaments with different items the teacher would like for the room. Take one off, purchase it, wrap it up

and present it to the teacher at their class Christmas Party! What could be easier? Plus you'll be sure they'll love it!

Specials' teachers also have trees located outside the Holy Angels' office...check them out!

Merry Christmas and God Bless!

Lunch Duty Schedule: 10:20-12:15

<u>Monday 7th</u>	<u>Tuesday 8th</u>	<u>Wednesday 9th</u>	<u>Thursday 10th</u>	<u>Friday 11th</u>
Abby Hathaway Jillian Sodini Zealand Tarrant	Jack Groseclose Annie Lamie Michelle Xia	Jacob Andrews Konrad Dunbar Sean O'Brien	Libby Gorman Laura Gallagher David O'Connor	Gabe Maday Anthony Piedmonte Michael Weitzel

Advent Program

Our little Angels have been busy getting ready for our Advent Program which is scheduled for **December 17th @ 6:30 p.m. in the SF Gym.**

Please have your child dressed in Sunday best with a simple garland halo that rests upon their head. Their prompt 6:00 p.m. arrival is a must!

Thank you and enjoy the show!

2nd Grade Brownies

Our next meeting will be Tuesday, December 8th from 2:35-4:15pm. We will be at Holy Angels (Mrs. LaPan's room) doing some work toward a new badge. Remember that our January meeting has been changed to Friday, January 15th so that we can go ice skating.

Warehouse Sale

Save the date for December 12th from 12-3 for a PTC Warehouse sale! Brand new home décor, woodworking, and crafting supplies will be available at garage sale prices. Everything must go. Do some Christmas shopping while supporting our school. All proceeds go to the PTC. Thank you to Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Mallory who generously donated these items.



The Difference Is Prayer