

**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.

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

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## *Christ – Above All Things*

### **FROM THE COUNSELOR**

NMC dual-enrollment is well underway. If you are planning to take a class, you must pick up the necessary paper work from my office and then you MUST be sure to give me a copy of your NMC bill and your NMC schedule IF you want TCAPS to pay for the class. Failure to turn in the schedule/bill in a timely manner will negate payment by TCAPS. If YOU don't want to pay the bill, get the paperwork into me ASAP.

### **GTACS FAMILY SKI AT CRYSTAL MOUNTAIN**

Single trip Friday tickets are now available for GTACS families & friends to ski Crystal Mt. on the following dates: 4 Fridays - Jan. 13th, Jan. 20th, Jan 27 & Feb 3rd. Forms are available at school offices – HA, IC & SEAS and should be returned to these offices. SFHS will need to get their forms from HA and return them to HA office. Forms & payment are all due by NOON Wednesday of the week in which you are going to ski. Rates: Child 5-8 years 10\$ Student 9-18 years 15\$ Adult 19+years 25\$ Rentals are available for an additional 15\$ helmets are 5\$ more. We ski Fridays from 3:30-9:00 & lessons are included. Questions, e-mail us at [skigtacs@charter.net](mailto:skigtacs@charter.net) Think snow! Mark & Jerri Gabriel

### **MUSICAL EXTRAS NEEDED**

The Musical is still looking for a couple guys. No singing or dancing experience is required. They will also get to wear sweet suits! Contact Mr. Carter.

### **BOOK FAIR**

We are having a book fair in the library beginning Wednesday, Feb 1st thru Friday, Feb 3rd (during Catholic Schools Week). Stop by a see the great books!

### **LATIN CLASSES**

Latin tutorial classes to be offered on a before school Zero Hour basis. The goal will be to achieve a reading and writing level of competency. It should take about two years to reach that goal. We are planning to meet twice a week. The cost will be \$10.00 a half hour session to include textbook pages, work sheets and evaluations. This could also lead to Classical Greek classes after two years. This class will be taught by Ken Lardie, MA Ed. MSU. Mr. Lardie has many years of experience as a classroom and substitute teacher and he had eight years of Latin and two years of college Greek during his education. Contact the high school office if interested.

### **YEARBOOKS FOR SALE**

Order your 2011-2012 yearbook early and save \$\$\$! You may go online to [YearbookOrderCenter.com](http://YearbookOrderCenter.com) to purchase a yearbook for \$50. The order number is 3021. Also, a reminder to please share your photos with us by logging on to the eShare site: <http://www.hjeshare.com/eShare/Index.jsp?code=3022253> We would so appreciate the opportunity to look at your photos and possibly include them in the yearbook! Please let me know if you have any questions by emailing me at [mlacross@gtacs.org](mailto:mlacross@gtacs.org). Thank you! -- Maria LaCross & the Veritas Yearbook Staff

### **ALLIANCE RUGBY MEETING**

When: Saturday January 7<sup>th</sup> at 5 PM with no contact rugby gym activity to follow at 7 PM.

Where: SEAS

Who: All returning players, friends, parents, and prospective players.

What: All couches will be present to review the training program for the season, practice schedule, tentative match schedule, travel rugby opportunities, eligibility, fees and physical conditioning.

**UPCOMING:**

1/13 Jostens will be here to pick up class ring orders from sophomores.

1/16-20 Exam Week dismissal at 12:00 (no bussing available at this dismissal time, only at the end of the day)

1/20 Jean Day to benefit GTA Right to Life

1/29-2/4 Catholic Schools Week

2/10-12 & 17-19 Musical performance of Guys and Dolls

The following is the schedule for exam week: January 16<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup>

**Monday January 16th**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Hour Exam 8:00 – 9:45 am
- 5<sup>th</sup> Hour Exam 10:00 – 11:45 am
- Announcements 11:45 – 12:00 pm

**Tuesday January 17th**

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Hour Exam 8:00 – 9:45 am
- 6<sup>th</sup> Hour Exam 10:00 – 11:45 am
- Announcements 11:45 – 12:00 pm

**Wednesday January 18th**

- 3<sup>rd</sup> Hour Exam 8:00 – 9:45 am
- 7<sup>th</sup> Hour Exam 10:00 – 11:45 am
- Announcements 11:45 – 12:00 pm

**Thursday January 19th**

- 4<sup>th</sup> Hour Exam 8:00 – 9:45 am
- Announcements 9:45 – 9:50 am
- Make - up Exam 10:00 – 11:45 am

**Friday January 20th**

- Records Day – No School

**Exam Policies:**

1. Students are expected to be in attendance for the entire exam period. Bring a book to read should you finish early.
2. Students are to report for all sessions. If there is no exam for a given class then there will be regular class session.
3. Students need not report to their study hall hour. However students at school during such a time must be in the library.
4. Open campus is for seniors only! However, other students who are finished with their exams for the day are dismissed.
5. TCAPS busses will be scheduled in the morning but will not be available at our exam dismissal times.