

Over Christmas break, Alice had the incredible opportunity to travel to Egypt, experiencing firsthand the wonders of ancient history and culture! Her journey included visiting the giant limestone statue of Ramesses II (Ramesses the Great) at the Memphis Outdoor Museum, exploring the Step Pyramid, and venturing deep inside a pyramid—the Tomb of Chief Justice Kagemni. She also stood in awe before the Pyramids of Giza, built for the Pharaohs Khufu, Khafre, and Menkaure. Highlights continued in the Valley of the Kings, where she entered the tomb of King Tutankhamun, viewing his stone sarcophagus and mummified remains, as well as the tomb and sarcophagus of Pharaoh Ramesses IV. At the Grand Egyptian Museum, she saw the complete King Tut collection—over 5,000 artifacts, including his famous mask, jewelry, chair, and nested coffins—along with another massive statue of Ramesses II. The trip also included cultural experiences such as visiting a Nubian village, touring a family's home, and even holding their pet crocodiles! She and her Nonna also enjoyed riding camels in the Sahara Desert and spending four unforgettable nights cruising along the Nile River.

IB's annual book exchange was a huge success! The kids were so grateful and excited to receive a new book. The timing was perfect, as we've been working on building our reading stamina. After exchanging books, students spread out around the room and spent time reading and enjoying their new stories.



# SPN School Chorus



Led by Mr. Lathroum



On Thursday, December 18,  
our chorus shared the joy of  
Christmas through song in their  
Christmas Concert,  
led by Mr. Lathroum.

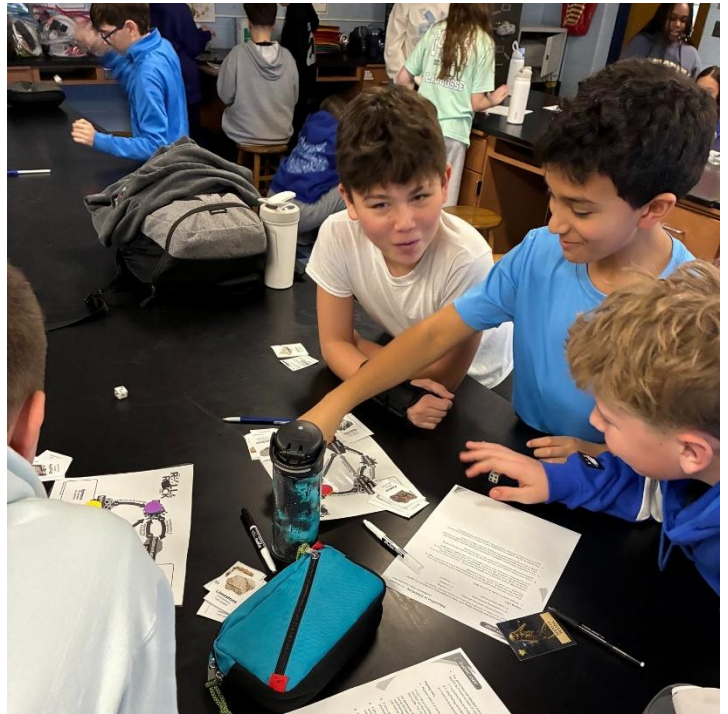
We are so proud of our students  
for using their talents to glorify  
God and spread the spirit of the  
season.

Thank you to our families for  
joining us and Thank you to  
Ms. Joyce for taking these  
wonderful pictures.



# Making Science fun

Our 6A Science students had a hands-on learning experience as they played a board game focused on the processes and products of the rock cycle. This interactive activity helped deepen their understanding of the rock cycle's continuous, cyclical nature!

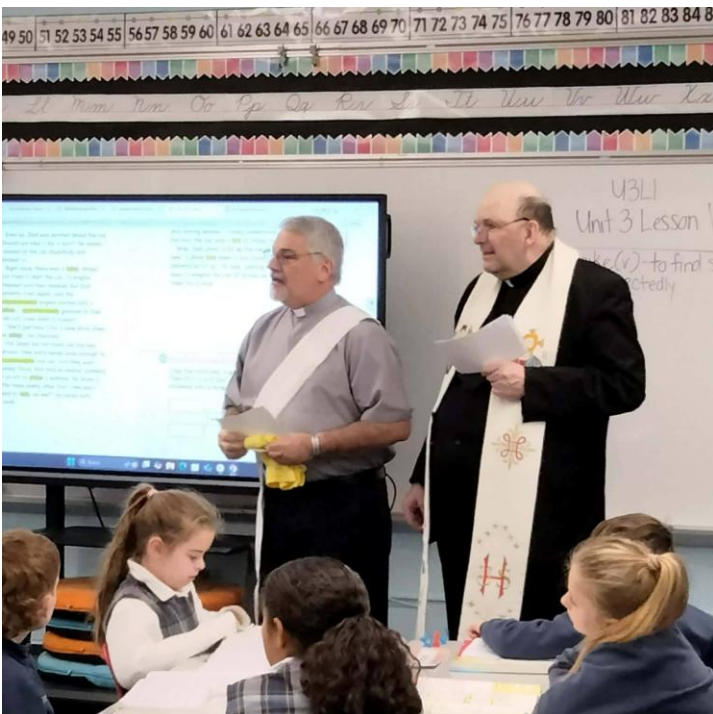




The letters **C**, **M**, and **B** stand for *Christus Mansionem Benedicat*, which means "May Christ bless this house." They also recall the names traditionally given to the Magi—Caspar, Melchior, and Balthasar—who visited the infant Jesus.



Each of our classrooms received a special Epiphany blessing, with the initials of the Magi written above the doors: 20 + C + M + B + 26. This beautiful tradition reminds us to welcome Christ into our learning spaces and ask God's protection and blessings upon our students and teachers throughout the year. Thank you to Fr. Larry and Deacon Mark for blessing our classrooms!





We are so proud of our Madelyn and Kelsey '23 who performed in Susan Ina Academy of Performing Arts' production of Grinchmas! Kelsey stole the show in the lead role as the Grinch, while our Madelyn shined as a Whoville citizen and a Little Grinch. What an amazing performance by both!



We love seeing our students and alumni use their God-given talents beyond the classroom! Congratulations to Scarlett, Everly, Braelynn, Elijah, Katie, Sadie, Valerie, Rose, Lucy, Aryanna, Molly, Caitlin, Maci, Gabi '25, Ellie '24, Anami '22, and Olivia '22, who performed in The Nutcracker with Artistic Movement Academy of Dance under the direction of SPN parent, Mrs. Ashley Hardy. Thank you, Mrs. Ashley, for also sharing your talents with our school through choreography for our spring musical and 8th grade talent show. A truly magical performance by all!



# SPN Robotics Teams led by Mr. Scott and Mr. Pilkus





Our Robotics teams proudly competed in the December Robotics Tournament! Under the direction of Mr. Scott and Mr. Matt, both teams worked hard, showed great teamwork, and represented our school with excellence. We are so proud of their dedication, problem-solving skills, and perseverance!

## ROBOTICS



# SPN Jesters Celebrate Life

Our 8<sup>th</sup> graders attended Mount De Sales Academy's MARCH FOR LIFE on Friday, January 23. This amazing day was led by MDS and MSJ students,

including SPN Alumni, Reese '22, Jimmy '23, and Camryn '25!

Students participated in small groups with other Catholic schools, celebrated Mass, and took part in a Rosary walk around campus. A beautiful and faith-filled experience for all!

