

St. Francis School Newsletter

St. Francis Xavier School, with family partnership is dedicated to the development of the whole child through the spiritual and academic excellence of Catholic education.

December 21, 2023

A message from our principal...

Dear SFX Families,

Christmas Break begins on Friday, December 22nd. We are back in session on Wednesday, January 3rd.

Perhaps you are already familiar with New Beginnings Resale Store, but did you know that it operates as a ministry of Holy Childhood of Jesus Parish in Harbor Springs? New Beginnings is known as Northern Michigan's largest thrift shop with over 24,000 sq. ft. of bargains galore and more! Some of the revenue from New Beginnings helps to provide funding to St. Francis Xavier School for annual support of the school. St. Francis Xavier School has been the parish school for Holy Childhood parishioners since Holy Childhood School closed after the 1987-88 school year. SFX strives to provide morning and afternoon busing service and Tuition Angels funds on an annual basis to Holy Childhood of Jesus parishioners as needed. Patronage of New Beginnings Resale Store, volunteers in the store, and donations to the resale shop help to continue the strong partnership between the Catholic communities on both sides of the bay.

Visit New Beginnings website at newbeginningsresale.com to shop online, information on donations, and to view business hours.

Fr. Ben Rexroat visited St. Francis Xavier School on Wednesday, December 20th. Fr. Rexroat is the vocations director for the Diocese of Gaylord. He started the day with us by celebrating Mass and visited many classrooms of our older students to talk about listening to God's call so we all can become what God has made us to be.



It was a pleasure to have Fr. Rexroat taking the time to deliver this important message to our students.

Wishing you and your families all a Merry Christmas and a blessed New Year!

Yours in Christ,

Adam Dobrowolski, principal



5th Grade's Ellis Island

Annual Knights of Columbus Spelling Bee
Congratulations to our finalists that will continue on to the next level!

4-6th Grade Division	7-8th Grade Division
1st Andrew Ustes	1st Clark Bliss
2nd Nick Dundon	2nd James Holt
3rd Hudson Stringer	3rd Lukas Nemeč
4th Geno D'Angelo	4th Will Marshall

LOOKING AHEAD...

- 22-2 No School - Christmas Break
- 1/3 Return to School
- 1/19 1st Semester Ends - Half day, dismissal at 11:40. PD for staff
- 1/26 6th Grade Raffle and ALL School non-uniform day
- 1/28 Catholic Schools Week begins - more info to come!

The backside of the newsletter is the artwork of Taylor Hall (4th Grade) signed by Saint Francis Staff.

Have a Merry
Christmas and
a Happy New
Year! 2023

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Kristin Jeffers

Merry
Christmas
Mrs. Harder

Nick
♥ Ralph

Sina Olson ☺

Merry
Christmas!
Jason Scott
Linda M. Beer

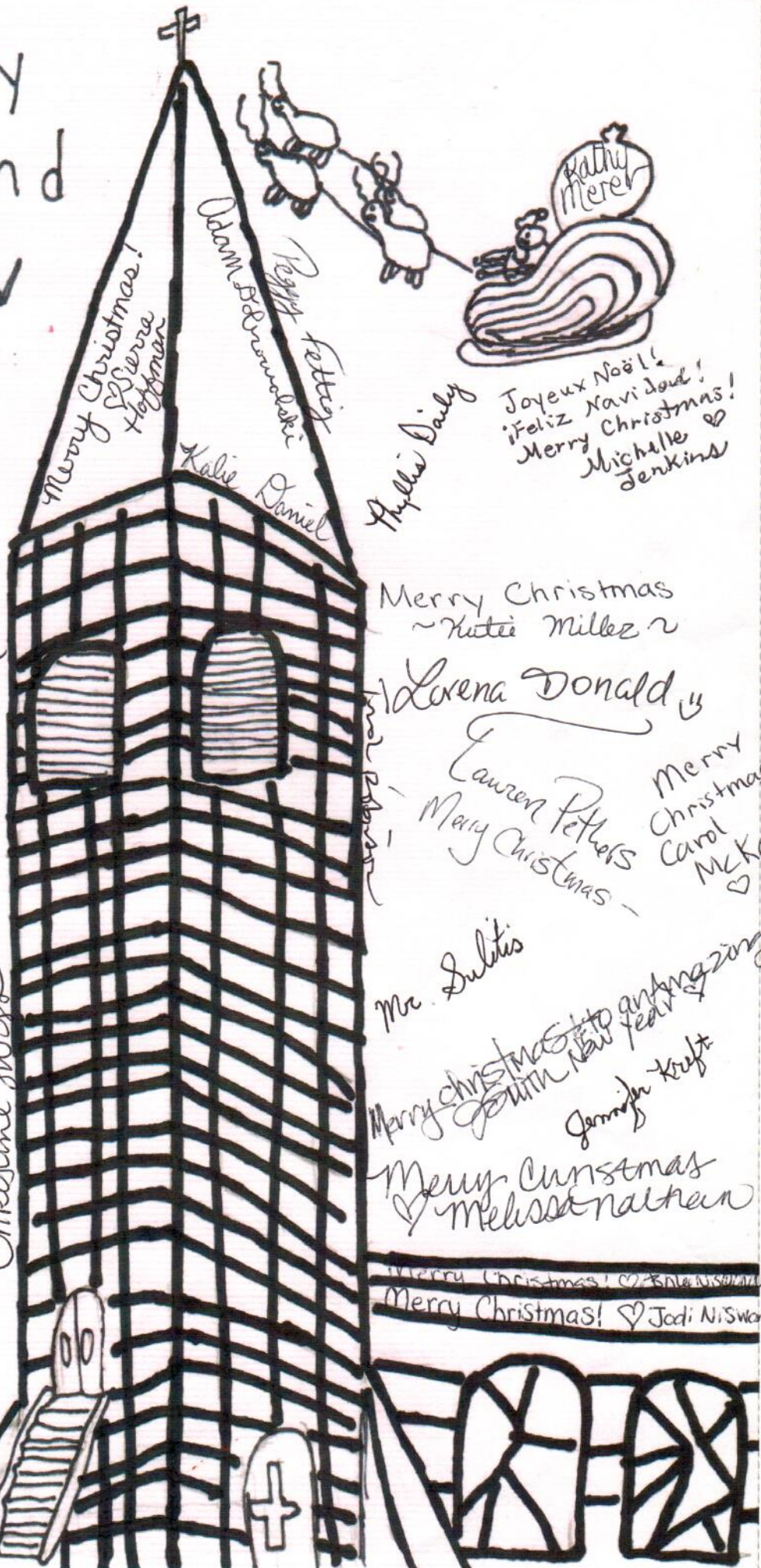
Kathy
Godfrey

NATEY

Lisa Rasmussen

Caroline
Pankus

Taylor



Merry Christmas!
Sierra
Hobman

Adam Belumowski
Peggy Fetting

Kalie Daniel

Alyssa Daily

Joyeux Noël!
Feliz Navidad!
Merry Christmas!
Michelle
Jenkins

Merry Christmas
~ Kutei Miller ~

Lorena Donald ☺

Lauren Peters
Mary Christmas
Merry Christmas!
Carol
McKee

Mr. Sulbis

Merry Christmas
with New Year's
Jennifer Kraft

Merry Christmas
Melissa Nathan

Merry Christmas!
Merry Christmas!
Jodi NiSwander

Patti Rash

Fr. Greg McEllen

Christine Swiss