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# Mayor's welcome

**Mayor Rick Schultz** rschultz@cityofstjoseph.com 320-260-0393

On behalf of the City of St. Joseph – WELCOME!

We love our community and hope you will enjoy St. Joseph as a business, visitor, tourist or resident. appreciate Schultz opportunity



to extend to you a warm and hearty welcome.

St. Joseph has something for everyone. We have lots of local dining and shopping here. Choose from a combination of gift, clothing, boutique and traditional shops. You will have no problem finding what you need here, including a great meal at one of our

award-winning restaurants - some of the best cuisine in central Minnesota.

For recreation, St. Joseph offers a variety of options. There are multiple parks and Lake Wobegon Regional Trail, Minnesota's 65-mile aboveaverage walking/biking trail. We are home to the Haehn Museum which houses nearly 9,000 artifacts, dating back to 1857, which document the lives and ministries of the Sisters of the Order of St. Benedict.

St Joseph is home to the College of St. Benedict and St. John's University -the #1 and #2 Colleges in Minnesota for securing jobs. We are also part of ISD 742 – the St. Cloud public school district - and St. Joseph's Catholic School.

St. Joseph is home to a variety of events throughout the year including Joetown Blocks, Joetown Rocks, JoeBoys annual motorcycle run in which all proceeds go to a local individual currently going through cancer treatment, Millstream Arts Festival, La Jam, Rocktoberfest, Rock-For-Alzheimer's and many more.

I've been a resident in St Joseph going on 40 years. I've also been mayor for the past 14 years. In that time, St. Joseph has grown larger, yet maintains that 'Norman Rockwell' image.

The City of St. Joseph is a caring community where neighbors support each other and where families grow and prosper in a safe and healthy environment. Please enjoy yourself whether you are here for a brief time or choose to make this your home. When you visit, we hope you will experience the warmth and hospitality of our community and return many more times. If you choose to make St. Joseph your home, we hope you will not only feel community pride but will also come to fully appreciate the value of being part of our city.

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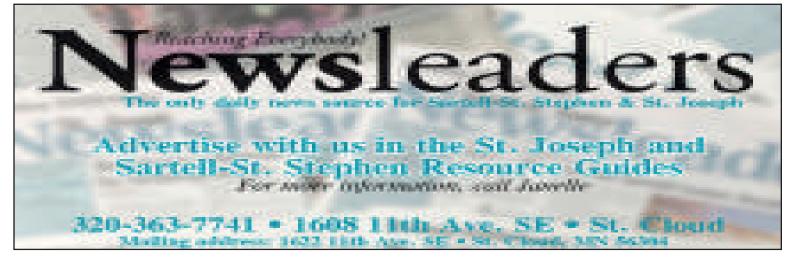
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#### Bird's-eye view

This is a bird's-eye view of downtown St. Joseph where the "Joetown Blocks" celebration took place June 9.







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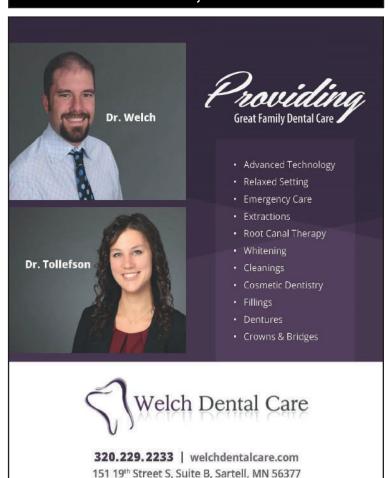
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# City Services

#### St. Joseph City Council

The City of St. Joseph operates under the mayor-council form of government with one mayor and four council members. The mayor serves a two-year term, and council members serve four-year terms. Led by Mayor Rick Schultz, council members are Kelly Beniek, Kevin Kluesner, Bob Loso and Brian Theisen. The council oversees an annual budget of nearly \$2.4 million. Council meetings take place at 6 p.m. the first and third Mondays of the month in the St. Joseph Government Center, 75 Callaway St. E. For the most up-to-date information, see the calendar in the Newsleaders, or head to cityofstjoseph.com.

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#### St. Joseph City Hall

75 Callaway St. E. • 320-363-7201

City Administrator David Murphy leads a staff of 24 employees, including maintenance and police. Hours: 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday-Friday. dmurphy@cityofstjoseph.com

#### St. Joseph Township 935 College Ave. S. • 320-363-8825

The St. Joseph Township Board officials are Doug Fredrickson, chair; Anna Reischl, clerk; Dan Rassier, treasurer; and Ralph Eiynck and Dennis Durand, both supervisors. Township meetings take place at 7 p.m. the second and last Monday of the month in Township Hall, 935 College Ave. S. stjosephtownship.org

#### Fire Department

#### 323 Fourth Ave. NE. • 911 • Non-emergency: 320-363-7201

Led by Fire Chief Jeff Taufen, the state-of-the-art St. Joseph Fire Department has 30 highly trained volunteers who not only fight fires, but also help on medical calls, car accidents and other emergencies.

#### **Police Department**

#### 75 Callaway St. E. • 911 • Non-emergency: 320-363-8250

Led by Police Chief Dwight Pfannenstein, the police force is comprised of 12 sworn officers, as many as nine volunteer reserve officers and two support-staff persons. The department serves the 7,000+residents of St. Joseph, providing 24-hour protection, 365 days a year.





The Thiel brothers flip water bottles to see if they can get them to land upright July 5 in Klinefelter Park. They are Drew, 7, (left) and Matty, 5. Both are from St. Joseph.



# Area Representatives

#### State Rep. Lisa Demuth (R) District 13A

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#### U.S. Sen. Tina Smith (DFL)

720 Hart Senate Office Building Washington, D.C. 20510 Phone: 202-224-5641 www.smith.senate.gov

# Stearns County Commissioner Joe Perske, 2nd District

509 10th St. N., Sartell, Minn. 56377 320-223-4702 joe.perske@co.stearns.mn.us







Three girls of Star Lake Wilderness Camp for kids jump enthusiastically into the water. Dan Hudson of St. Joseph is chair of the board of directors for the camp.







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Students at St. Joseph Catholic School react to the arcs and sparks on the live Stearns Electric home and farm model.



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# **Education**

# Kennedy Community School 1300 Jade Road • 320-370-7430

Kennedy teaches Pre-K through eighth grade with approximately 800 students. As part of the St. Cloud school district, Kennedy provides a safe and caring climate and culture for all preschool through eighth-grade students, their families and staff. Kennedy values kindness, safety and responsibility.

Kennedy students are prepared and engaged in core curriculum areas as well as classes in art, music, gym and orchestra, beginning in fifth grade. Through the technology initiative, sixth- through eighth-graders receive a personal learning device to enhance digital citizenship and learning. Kennedy also offers talent development and accelerated learning through fifth grade, and accelerated math and advanced language arts in grades six through eight. Kennedy offers a wide range of extracurricular options, both in athletics and activities, including Knowledge Bowl, drama and robotics.

Kennedy inspires all students through hands-on learning opportunities in its gardens and prairies, and celebrates collaboration through its community partnerships, including the Sauk River Watershed District and College of St. Benedict. www.isd742.org.

# St. Joseph Catholic School 32 W. Minnesota St. • 320-363-7505, ext. 150

This Catholic school for pre-school through fifth-grade students has served St. Joseph since 1856. Although the building, people and name have changed throughout the years, it continues to provide an outstanding Catholic education to the people in the area. The school benefits from a good relationship with the College of St. Benedict/St. John's University with many college students volunteering their time in the classrooms and for after-school tutoring. St. Joseph Catholic School provides great programs starting with its Montessori preschool, STEM program, Spanish, band, support services for students with dyslexia and much more. www.stjosephccs.org.

#### St. John's Prep School

#### 2280 Watertower Road, Collegeville, 320-363-3315

St. John's Prep is a Catholic/Benedictine, co-educational, international baccalaureate college preparatory school for students in grades six-12. It's located within the 2,700 acres of beautiful lakes and woods of St. John's Abbey and University. www.sjprep.net.

# College of St. Benedict/St. John's University Admissions • 320-363-2196

The College of St. Benedict (for women) and St. John's University (for men) were both founded by Benedictine religious devotees. Besides bringing a climate of cultural diversity to the area, the colleges provide a hefty economic boost to St. Joseph and surrounding cities. www.csbsju.edu.



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Kennedy is used as a model for promoting green schools across the region and has been awarded the Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design for Schools (LEED) certification at the GOLD level. Students also recieve hands-on learning in Kennedy's gardens and prairies.

#### **FINE & PERFORMING ARTS**

Music education teaches skills and promotes values of self-discipline, dedication, teamwork, self-confidence and practice. In addition to art, music and theater, our students can take advantage of classroom music and, beginning in grade six, students have the chance to discover new talents in orchestra, band or choir.

#### INNOVATION &

With a focus on bringing computational thinking into the classroom, elementary students have opportunities to work with robots and coding as well as participate in "unplugged" lessons which introduce computer science concepts through activities.

#### WIDE RANGE OF ELECTIVES

In middle school, our students have a multitude of electives to choose from including Robotics, Visual & Media Arts, Coding, Global Communication and Life Skills.

#### **ATHLETICS & ACTIVITIES**

With 33 state-sponsored athletics for grades 7-12 including lacrosse, gymnastics and Nordic ski, and over 45 clubs and groups, such as robotics, Knowledge Bowl, Future Problem Solvers and Rotary Interact, our students have a wide variety of ways to connect and experience teamwork.

# COLLEGE & CAREER READINESS

Once in high school, CTE offerings provide outstanding technical workplace occupational skills in areas such as automotive, big build projects and the culinary arts. We are creating pathways of opportunity for students to experience success post-graduation through 3 Career and College Academies.

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School District 742

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St. Joseph Mayor Rick Schultz peeks into a restored 1948 Ford F-1 pickup June 9 at Joetown Blocks. The vehicle, which started out with the Los Angeles Fire Department many years ago, is now owned by Pat and Barb Manuell of St. Joseph.



# Calendar of events

#### **May-September**

#### Farmers' Market

The St. Joseph Farmers' Market is open every Friday during the warmer months from 3 to 6 p.m. at Resurrection Lutheran Church, one-fourth mile north of the intersection of CR 75 and College Avenue. The market's annual Harvest Festival takes place in mid-September.

#### **Outdoor Yoga**

Anyone interested in keeping calm and carrying on this summer need look no further than outdoor yoga sessions throughout St. Joseph. The drop-in sessions from Shanti Yoga Center are open to everyone. Sessions are 6 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays at Millstream Park, 10:30 a.m. Saturdays at Milk and Honey Ciders and 8 p.m. the first Thursday of each month at Bad Habit Brewing. Visit Shanti Yoga Center's website to learn more shantiyoga.center.

#### June

#### Joetown Blocks

The very first "Joetown Blocks" took place June 9 in downtown St. Joseph on Minnesota Street. The event, hosted by the St. Joseph Convention and Visitors Bureau to celebrate "community," features a car show, kids' activities, a farmers' market, acoustic musicians, a beer garden, a power-wheels derby, a dunk tank and local vendors. Plans are to make it an annual event the second Sunday in June.

#### Rapids River Days - Sauk Rapids

This three-day event, which takes place usually on the fourth weekend in June, is a perennially popular gathering in Sauk Rapids Municipal Park along the Mississippi River. Sauk Rapids is about 10 miles northeast of St. Joseph. The 2024 event is Thursday-Saturday, June 20-22. saukrapidsriverdays.com **St. Cloud Granite City Days – St. Cloud** 

The 2024 celebration will be held Saturday-Sunday, June 27-30. The event includes a parade at 10 a.m. Saturday along Sixth Avenue N. and St. Germain Street. Family Fun Fest takes place from 11 a.m.-3 p.m Sunday at Lake George Park, 1101 Seventh St. S. stcloudgranitecitydays.com

#### July

#### Joetown Rocks Parish Festival

A tradition since 1904, the Fourth of July celebration attracts thousands of people for the St. Joseph Lions-sponsored parade and the Catholic church bazaar, which includes food booths, refreshments, a quilt auction, bingo and other games, a merry-go-round and train ride for children, fireworks, a country store, handiworks and craft stand and more. On July 3, the JoeTown Rocks free concert featuring the Killer Vees pays tribute to the music of legendary pop star, the late Bobby Vee, who – with his sons – began the JoeTown Rocks series of concerts years ago. The Vees, who live in the area, have a recording studio in St. Joseph. On July 4, there will be a parade, games, live music, a quilt auction and raffle drawing. joetownrocks.org

#### **Tour of Saints**

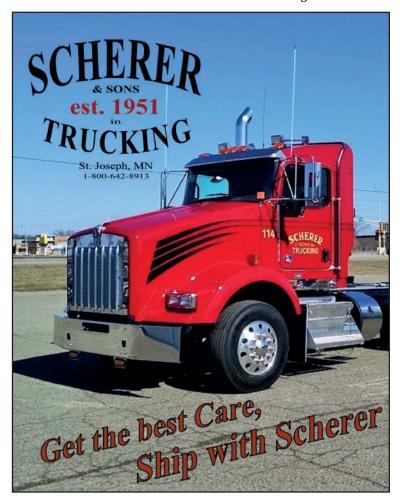
A long-established tradition in the St. Joseph area is the mid-summer Tour of Saints, a recreational bicycle tour with loops of 18, 35 and 50 miles through some of the most beautiful hilly countryside in Minnesota. The Tour of Saints attracts 1,000 or more cyclists of every skill level each year. The 2024 tour is from 7:30 a.m.-2 p.m. Sunday, July 21 starting at the College of St. Benedict and this year ending at Bad Habit Brewing Co. To register, visit www.tourofsaints.com.

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photo by Carolyn Bertsch

St. Joseph Rod and Gun Club member Ray Bechtold (left) assists Mariel Lindgren, 6, and her grandfather, Mike Lindgren, with their bluebird house March 18 at the annual birdhouse-making event which took place at the American Legion in St. Joseph. All are from St. Joseph.



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# **Parks**

A parks key is located on the city map on pages 12 & 13.

The city of St. Joseph maintains 78 acres of parkland.

#### **Centennial Park**

205 Birch St. W.

Centennial offers courts for sand volleyball and basketball as well as playground equipment areas and a newly remodeled community building with new restrooms. For shelter rental from May 1 to Oct. 1, call 320-363-7201.

# Cloverdale Park 800 Able St. E.

Cloverdale Park functions as a tot lot in a residential district. The St. Joseph Park Board is contemplating developing the park as a meditative park, with landscaping and possibly a gazebo.

#### **East Park**

95 acres along Sauk River; potential future features include the following: parkway, parking, walking and nature trails, dog park, canoe/boat landing, active and passive recreation areas, nature center, camping, educational signage, site amenities and landscaping.

#### Hollow Park 207 Fifth Ave. NW.

#### Klinefelter Memorial Park 1000 Dale St. E.

This spacious park in southeast St. Joseph boasts a path that winds through wildlife wetlands and a vast expanse of grass. It was named for Brian Klinefelter, a police officer who was killed in the line of duty on Jan. 29, 1996. In the park is a marble memorial of Klinefelter.

#### Memorial Park 28 Third Ave. NW.

In summer, Memorial Park is popular for its baseball games (home of the St. Joseph Saints) and skate park. In winter, people enjoy hockey games, recreational ice skating and epic sledding.

# Millstream Park 725 CR 75 W.

This large park with a stream meandering through it offers nature trails, fishing, volleyball, horseshoe, baseball, a soccer field, two lit softball fields and an 18-hole disc golf course. Picnic areas are located throughout the park, and a park shelter complete with fireplace is available for rent. For rental, call the city offices at 320-363-7201.

# Monument Park 202 Birch St. W.

A monument featuring a bit of St. Joseph history stands by a small rest area with trees, flowers and a picnic area.

#### Northland Park 303 Gumtree St. E.

This 9.25-acre neighborhood park featuring a play area, sand volleyball court, picnic tables, benches and off-street parking was constructed in conjunction with the Northland Housing Development.

#### St. Joseph Township Park and Shelter Behind the Township Hall at 935 College Ave. S.

The park and shelter includes a volleyball court, playground equipment, full kitchen and restrooms. There are nine picnic tables indoors that can seat eight people each and five concrete picnic tables outside that can seat six people each. For information, call Ann Reischl at 320-363-8825.

# **Wobegon Trail Welcome Center** 605 First Ave. NE • Wobegon Trail Head

The Lake Wobegon Trail is two paved recreational rail trails in central Minnesota, named after the fictional Lake Wobegon in Garrison Keillor's "Prairie Home Companion." Each trail is marked with mileposts every 0.5 miles, corresponding with the mile markers of the former railroad lines. Local residents and visitors from far and wide love to use the trail for hiking, biking, in-line skating and, in the winter months, snowmobiling and/or cross-country skiing. The center was built in 2004 and resembles the style of an old train station.







Charlie (left) and Ollie, both of St. Joseph, take their human, Laurie Nyhammer, for a walk July 5 at Klinefelter Park. The two dogs are well-known in their nearby neighborhood as they tend to kiss everyone they meet.





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Calvin Hazen, 4, (left) and his brother Wesley, 7, both of St. Joseph, eat ice cream on the back of a firetruck March 30 at the St. Joseph Jaycees' Easter egg party.

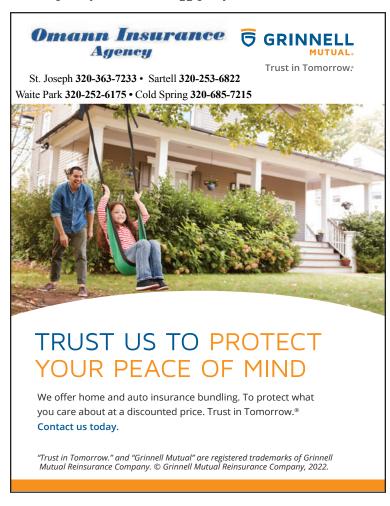






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A "Minnesota Twins" quilt is lovingly stitched together by members of the St. Joseph Parish Quilting Group at The Gathering Place. Five of the dozen or so women who were working on the quilt when this photo was taken April 15 are (left to right) Linda Loso, St. Joseph; Ilene Schmitt, St. Joseph; Ione Jacobs, St. Cloud; Pat Henning, St. Cloud; and Geri Schwab, St. Joseph. The quilt commemorates the Twins' 2023 championship in the American League's Central Division. The queen-sized quilt will be auctioned off, along with many other quilts, at the St. Joseph Fourth of July Festival.

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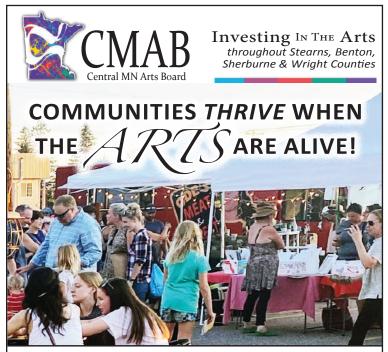
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Siblings react during a bocce game May 11 at the St. Joseph Women of Today Bike Safety Event. They are (left to right) Julian Walker, 9, and Kai Walker, 6, both of St. Joseph.



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## Calendar of Events (from p. 10)

#### July

#### **Hometown Pride Days - Cold Spring**

Cold Spring hosts its annual "Hometown Pride Days" July 25-27, 2024. Cold Spring, world-famous for its quality granite, is 12 miles south of St. Joseph on CR 2. www.hometownpridecs.com.

#### August

#### Millstream Arts Festival

An outdoor juried art show held 11 a.m.-5 p.m. on the last Sunday in August in downtown St. Joseph. It is a festive environment with a wide variety of visual arts, literature and poetry, music, dance, enticing foods, hands-on art activities for children and much more! Millstream Arts is a non-profit organization dedicated to promoting visual and performing arts. millstreamartsfestival. org

#### September

#### St. Stephen Parish Festival

The St. Stephen Parish Festival is held annually on Labor Day. The event features live music, games, food, a rummage sale, bingo, auctions, prize drawings and a lot of socializing.

#### **February**

#### **Ice Fishing Tournament**

Bundle up for an afternoon of fun at the annual Ice Fishing Tournament on Kraemer Lake sponsored and operated by the St. Joseph Rod and Gun Club. Event is typically held from noon-2:30 p.m. the third Saturday in February. Proceeds for the event help fund the various events, including the Youth Fishing Events (Boys and Girls Club); free annual birdhouse-building night; firearm and hunting safety; as well as maintaining local bodies of water and protecting our area resources. stjoerodandgunclub.org

#### June

#### Caramel Roll Bike Ride

Bicyclists ride the Lake Wobegon Trail any direction and mileage out of Albany on June 7, 2025 including to St. Joseph. lake-wobegontrail.com

#### Waite Park Family Fun Fest

In early June, Waite Park Family Fun Fest is a week-long series of entertainment and celebration. The 2025 event is June 9-13. Waite Park is five miles east of St. Joseph. wpfamilyfunfest.com

#### Sartell Summerfest

Each summer, the Sartell Summerfest is scheduled the first weekend in June. The 2025 event will be held June 6-7 featuring a grand parade, family fun fest, a street dance, fireworks and more. Sartell is five miles northeast of St. Joseph. sartellsummerfest.com

#### **Avon Spunktacular Days**

This weekend festival takes place in Avon, a city five miles west of St. Joseph. Spunktacular Days is usually scheduled the second weekend in June. The 2024 celebration will be June 13 and 14. avonchambermn.com



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Bernie Heurung (left) enjoys a root beer float June 29 made by Women of Today member Michele Winter. Both are from St. Joseph.



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Ivan Wolf of St. Joseph chooses beads for an art project at an Art in the Park session.

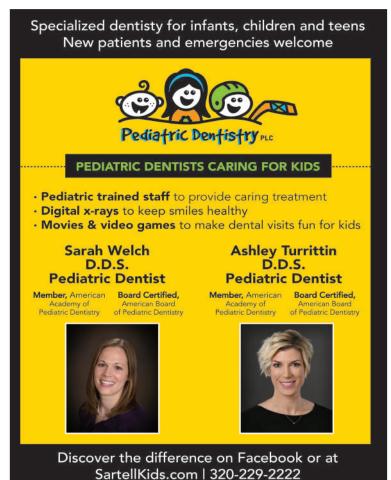




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Kim Clubb (left) and Jen Schroden, both of St. Joseph, respond to a poll question about how they prefer to get their Newsleaders. Both said they like to read the printed version when time and work will allow.



# Pedestrian delight

The first place visitors might want to stop in St. Joseph is the Government Center, 75 Callaway St. E. Brochures, guides and maps are available free of charge.

#### A pedestrian's delight

St. Joseph is proud of the many interesting and beautiful places it offers both residents and visitors. The city is exactly the right size for a leisurely stroll that takes in many sites and historical points of interest. In fact, many of St. Joseph's most beautiful areas, such as the lush green college campus with its nooks and crannies of quiet restfulness, can only be seen and appreciated during unhurried strolls. The following are just a few of the city's attractions:

# College of St. Benedict 37 S. College Ave.

The campus right in the heart of downtown St. Joseph includes an intriguing blend of Old World-style and modern architecture. Visitors can enjoy lunch at the Gorecki Dining Center, stroll the tree-lined walkways, visit the museum and maybe even take in a play or other cultural event at the arts center. For more information about what the college has to offer, call 320-363-5011.

#### Sacred Heart Chapel St. Benedict Monastery

On the grounds of the St. Benedict Monastery just off Minnesota Street (St. Joseph's main street), the Sacred Heart Chapel is a beautiful, quiet retreat from the busy world. Many visit the domed structure and its cloistered rooms to pray or meditate in its silent hush made soothing by filtered light and timeless stone architecture. Many visitors remark on the pervading sense of inner peace they experience while visiting the chapel. Tours and information are available by calling 320-363-7100.

#### Art and Heritage Place St. Benedict Monastery

Art and Heritage Place, Haehn Museum and Whitby Gallery, 104 Chapel Lane, are also on the St. Benedict Monastery grounds, just west of the Sacred Heart Chapel. The building includes spacious galleries that specialize in showing exquisite Benedictine artworks and historical exhibits. Its gift shop offers crafts and art made primarily by Benedictine sisters. For more information, call 320-363-7098.

# Pedestrian delight

#### Libraries/Art Center

Visitors might want to check out the superb libraries in the area, including the Clemens Library at the College of St. Benedict and the Hill Museum and Manuscript Library at St. John's University. The latter contains the most complete collection of originals and copies of manuscripts from the Medieval Age and is a magnet for medieval scholars throughout the world. Visitors should also be sure to check out the Benedicta Arts Center, which offers stimulating plays, concerts, poetry readings and other arts events throughout the year.

#### St. John's University

Located five miles west of St. Joseph just off Interstate Highway 94, this great "cousin" of the College of St. Benedict is also a perfect place for a stroll among its ivy-covered buildings and its spectacular landscape of hilly wooded land. The autumn leaves around the campus are so blazingly beautiful they attract people from far and wide. For more information about the university, call 320-363-2011.

#### **Abbey Church**

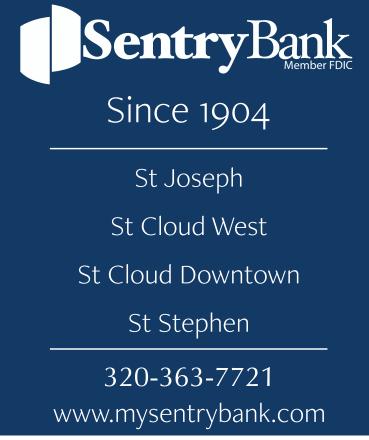
The bell tower of this church rises magnificently – massive yet graceful – above the treetops and buildings of St. John's University. Designed and built by the pioneering architect Marcel Breuer in the mid-1960s, the church is world-famous as a masterpiece of the cantilevered style. Its stained-glass windows alone are worth a trip to see it.

#### Church of St. Joseph

This Catholic church in the heart of downtown St. Joseph was constructed more than 150 years ago with stones hauled from parishioners' fields. It's the oldest consecrated Catholic church in Minnesota and still meets the needs of the 1,200 parish families today. A parish center was added in 2013 and connects the church and the school building that houses St. Joseph Catholic School. The parish center made possible a wide expansion of social events on the church grounds. For more information, call the parish office at 320-363-7505.

#### **Wobegon Trail**

Completed in the spring of 2004, the Lake Wobegon Trail now extends all the way from St. Joseph to Sauk Centre with a northern link to Holdingford and beyond. In early summer 2004, a beautiful Welcome Center, which resembles the style of an old train station, was built at the start of the paved trail. Local residents and visitors from far and wide love to use the trail for hiking, biking, in-line skating and, in the winter months, snow-mobiling and/or cross-country skiing. Winding through beautiful scenery, the trail has become the pride and joy of the cities it connects. Built on an abandoned railroad bed, the trail was named for writer Garrison Keillor's mythical Minnesota city. Keillor was present at the dedication ceremony when the trail's first extension was built from Sauk Centre to Avon. A connection to Waite Park was completed in 2018.







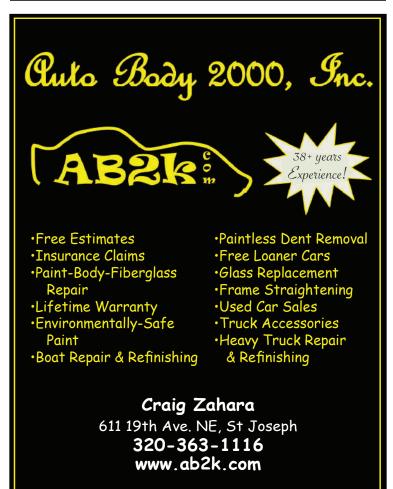




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Monty Hamlin-Budd, 3, of St. Joseph, delights in getting sprayed with water by a large inflatable fire hydrant Aug. 4 at the Boulder Ridge National Night Out.

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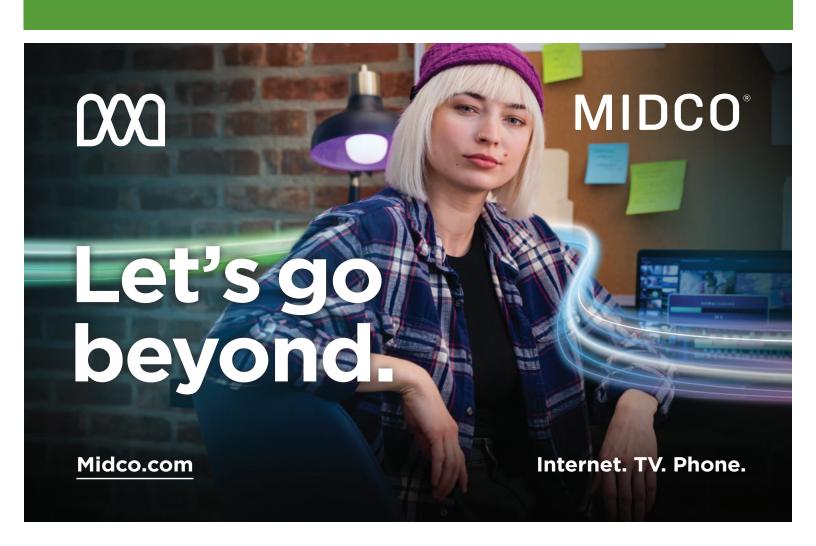
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