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## The Sisters of the Order of Saint Benedict

are the largest Benedictine community in the United States.

At its peak in the 1950s, the monastery had 1278 fully professed Sisters, who were ministering in over 83 schools and health care organizations, as well as other numerous ministries.

Saint Benedict's Monastery sent sSisters out to establish Benedictine foundations in Eau Claire, Wis.; St. Paul, Minn.; Lacey, Wash.;

Bismarck, North Dakota; Duluth, Minn.; Sapporo, Japan; Taipei, Taiwan; Nassau, Bahamas; Ogden, Utah and Humacao, Puerto Rico.

Throughout their history, the Sisters of the Order of Saint Benedict have cultivated the integration of art, intellectual development and spirituality.

This philosophy is evident from their earliest days in Minnesota, despite harsh pioneer conditions and demands for service among the European immigrants.

## Our Mission

We, the Sisters of Saint Benedict in St. Joseph, Minn., are a monastic community of women who seek God in our daily lives according to the Gospel and the *Rule of Benedict*.

Through our ministry of prayer, work and community living, we listen and respond to the needs of the church and the world.

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