

News Release

U.S. NEWS & WORLD REPORT NAMES SAINT THERESE OF OXBOW LAKE AMONG BEST SENIOR LIVING COMMUNITIES FOR 2026

Saint Louis Park, Minn. (May 5, 2026) – Saint Therese of Oxbow Lake in Brooklyn Park, Minn., has been recognized by U.S. News & World Report as a 2026 Best Independent Living and Best Continuing Care Retirement.

Now in its fifth year, the [2026 Best Senior Living ratings from U.S. News](#) evaluated more than 3,000 communities across the United States. Communities were assessed on several key criteria, including resident and family member satisfaction with safety, care, community management, staff, value and other essential services and amenities.

“Being recognized by U.S. News is meaningful to our entire team because it reflects the experiences of the people who live here every day,” said Christine DeLander, executive director of Saint Therese of Oxbow Lake. “We focus on creating a community where residents feel connected, supported, and truly at home, and it’s rewarding to see that reflected in this recognition.”

Only the [highest-rated communities](#) in each care level earned a “Best” rating from U.S. News, reflecting the viewpoints from nearly 550,000 consumer surveys.

In addition to the primary ratings, Saint Therese of Oxbow Lake was recognized for Independent Living-Activities & Enrichment, Independent Living-Feels Like Home. These accolades are awarded only to communities that scored in the top 25% of evaluated communities nationwide for Caregiving, Activities & Enrichment, Management & Staff, Food and “Feels Like Home.”

“Choosing a senior living community is a significant life decision for older adults and their families. U.S. News' Best Senior Living ratings provide a transparent, data-driven tool to help families identify the highest-quality care available,” said Ben Harder, managing editor and chief of health analysis at U.S. News. “We commend the communities that have earned this distinction, which reflects a deep commitment to resident well-being and exceptional service.”

While the Best Senior Living ratings offer a starting point for families, U.S. News encourages prospective residents, when appropriate, to consult with their health care providers or care teams to ensure a community's specific services align with their individual clinical and wellness needs.

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About Saint Therese: Minnesota-based [Saint Therese](#) was founded in 1964 and prides itself on its rich tradition of providing exceptional care for seniors. It has locations and services in Brooklyn Park, Woodbury, Corcoran, Shoreview (all Minnesota), IHM Senior Living Community in Monroe, Mich., St. Mary of the Woods in Avon, Ohio, and Saint Therese of Westlake in Westlake, Ohio. Most communities provide the full continuum of care from independent living, assisted living, memory care, skilled nursing and transitional care. Saint Therese at St. Odilia in Shoreview specializes in hospice and palliative care. Ascend Rehabilitation provides rehabilitation therapy, health and wellness services. Saint Therese is a nonprofit, 501©(3) senior care organization.

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