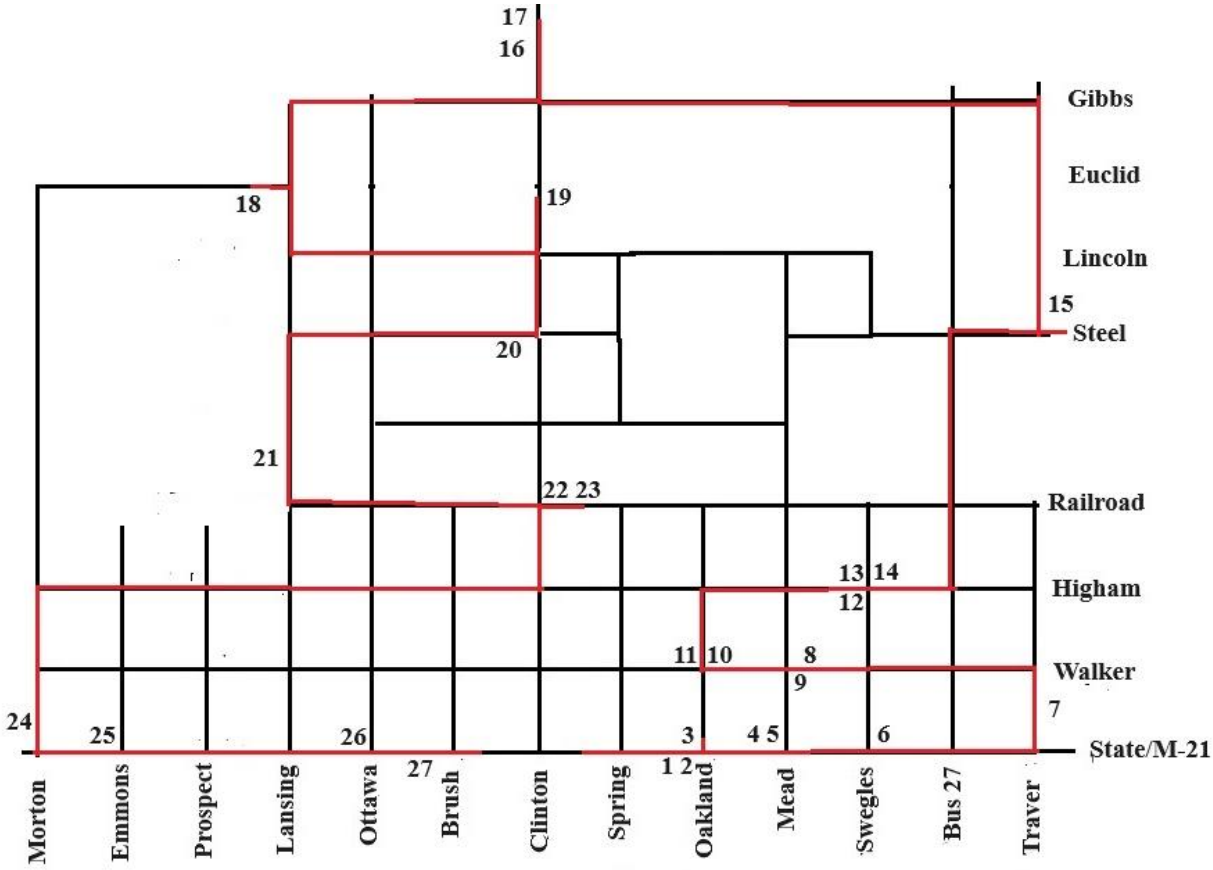
St. Johns Township Tour – North

This tour begins and ends near the courthouse on State Street (M-21).



Go east on State Street (M-21)

1	**Bailey House** 208 E. State This house was built prior to 1868.
2	**Bargar House** 210 E. State This house was built in 1908 in Queen Anne style.
3	**Peterson House** 101 N. Oakland (corner of Oakland and State) This Victorian style house was built prior to 1868.
4	**Reed House** 305 E. State This 1874 house is Modified Wing and Upright with Classical features. Marvin Babcock, a local merchant and spiritualist, was the first owner.

5	**Sheren House** 311 E. State This Federal style house was built prior to 1868.
6	**Vitrous House** 501 E. State This house was designed and built in 1872 by Oliver M. Hidden from Bay City. Hidden also designed the Bay City Courthouse. *Continue east psst Business 27 to Traver Street and turn left.*
7	**East Ward/Teresa A. Merrill School Site** 106 North Traver Street The East Ward School was built in 1876 from plans by Bay City architect Oliver Hidden and later renamed Teresa Merrill School. It was unusual for its size and its elaborate brickwork. In 1976 the school was named Teresa Merrill School in honor of longtime local educator Teresa A. Merrill. The school building was demolished and has been replaced with a housing development and a preschool. *Turn left on Walker Street and cross Business 27 (Whittemore Street).*
8	**Pouch House** 403 E. Walker This house was built around 1868 and was occupied by the builder's family for many years.
9	**Old St. Johns Episcopal Church** 400 E. Walker Street The congregation was first organized in 1858, and built their first church in 1867. Shortly after the close of Easter evening services in 1893 the church burned. The congregation celebrated the first service in the current church on Easter Sunday 1894. After closing in 2011, the building was used by Christian Catholic Diocese of Michigan until 2021.
10	**Keyes House** 301 E. Walker Street Known as the Old Bunday House, this home was built in 1860.
11	**Huard House** 209 E. Walker Street This house was built around 1868 and originally had Victorian architecture. *Turn right on Oakland Street and then left on Higham Street.*
12	**Arehart House** 410 E. Higham This house with Victorian styling and Italianate trim was built before 1873.
13	**Field House** 409 E. Higham Constructed with a wood frame and cut stone foundation, this Victorian style house was built before 1868.

14	**Latoff House** 501 E. Higham This Georgian Colonial with Italianate trim was constructed in 1853. *At Business 27 (Whittemore) turn left and then right on Steel Street.*
15	**Mount Rest Cemetery** 701 East Steel Street This cemetery is the final resting place of St. Johns residents. *Go north on Traver to Gibbs and then west to Clinton Avenue. Turn right and then left on Lewis Street.*
16	**Ochodnicky House** 109 Lewis This house was built in 109 by Robert M. Steel, a prominent railroad builder and contractor. The second story of the house has been removed and extensively remodeled. At one time Mr. Steel was the wealthiest resident of Clinton County. He owned several hundred acres within the corporate boundary of St. Johns. In 1887 he built the Steel Hotel. *Go back to Clinton and turn left.*
17	**Perrin Palmer House** 903 N. Clinton This was the home of Henry M. Perrin and Henry Palmer. Henry Perrin was lawyer, farmer, probate judge, state senator, supervisor, and St. Johns village president. His daughter Lucy married Dr. Henry Palmer who began a medical practice in St. Johns in 1887. *Go south on Clinton and turn right on Gibbs. Turn right on Lansing and Euclid. The site of the old North Ward School is on the south side of the first block.*
18	**North Ward and Perrin-Palmer School Site** The North Ward School was constructed in the 1870's and replaced on the same site by the Perrin-Palmer School in 1937. Perrin-Palmer closed in 1998 and was demolished the next year. *Go back to Lansing and turn right. At Lincoln turn left and then left on Clinton.*
19	**Sirrine House** 710 N. Clinton This one-story Victorian house was built prior to 1868 from yellow brick. *Go south on Clinton and right on Steel Street.*
20	**Becher House** 103 W. Steel This two-story wood house was built in 1857. *At Lansing Street turn left.*
21	**Jones Factory Site** 405 Lansing Street This brick and wood building constructed in 1867 as had several occupants. Originally it was a soapworks. In 1881 it became the Anchor Spokes Works. Later it was Cooper Engine and Boiler Works and a machine shop. *Turn left on Railroad Street.*

22	**Clinton County Veteran's Memorial** Near 404 N. Clinton Erected in 2006 In lasting memory of the Clinton County men and women who serve in the armed forces, past, present and future
23	**Clinton Northern Railway Museum** 107 E. Railroad Street, St. Johns The museum includes the St. Johns former Grand Trunk depot, railroad artifacts, and several vintage railcars which can be toured. The former railroad tracks are now part of a rails to trails that run from Ionia to Owosso. *Go south one block to Higham and turn right. Continue until you get to Morton (end of street) and turn left.*
24	**Coletta House** 111 N. Morton This salt box style house was built in 1874 by John Henderson. Mr. Henderson was the wealthy owner of a grist mill and sawmill. This part of town was called Hendersonville. *Go south to State Street (M-21) and turn left.*
25	**Speck House** 602 W. State This house is the back half of a structure that was once located where Rodney B. Wilson school building now stands. It was cut in half and moved here in 1929. The other half sits next door.
26	**Smith House** 101 N. Ottawa (corner of Ottawa and State) When first built in 1863 this house was a doctor's office and residence. It was remodeled as an English style structure in 1890.
27	**Hicks House** 205 W. State John C. Hicks, an early merchant and banker, paid $15,000 to build this 20-room brick and stone house in 1873. It is Second French Empire style and was the first house in St. Johns to have electricity.