

# HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC CHURCH

PRIESTLY FRATERNITY OF SAINT PETER

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## MASS SCHEDULE

Sundays	( <i>Low Mass</i> )	8:00 AM
	( <i>Sung Mass</i> )	10:30 AM
Weekdays		
Mon—Thursday		7:15 AM
Fridays		7:00 PM
Saturday		9:00 AM
Holy Days of Obligation: Check Announcements		

Holy Family Catholic Church is a parish of the Archdiocese of Cincinnati entrusted to the Priestly Fraternity of St. Peter. It was established by Archbishop Dennis M. Schnurr to serve all those who desire to experience the richness and diversity of the Church's liturgical and spiritual traditions, as provided for by Pope Benedict XVI in his *motu proprio Summorum Pontificum*. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass and all the Sacraments are celebrated according to the Traditional Roman Rite.

### Sacrament of Penance

Sundays, Holy Days, First Saturdays: 30 min. before Mass

Fridays and Saturdays: 30 minutes before Mass

Any time by appointment

### Baptisms, Last Sacraments, and Sick Calls

Please contact the rectory to make arrangements.

### Sacrament of Matrimony

Please contact the rectory at least six months in advance and before making any other arrangements.

### Schola Cantorum Daytonensis and Polyphonic Choir

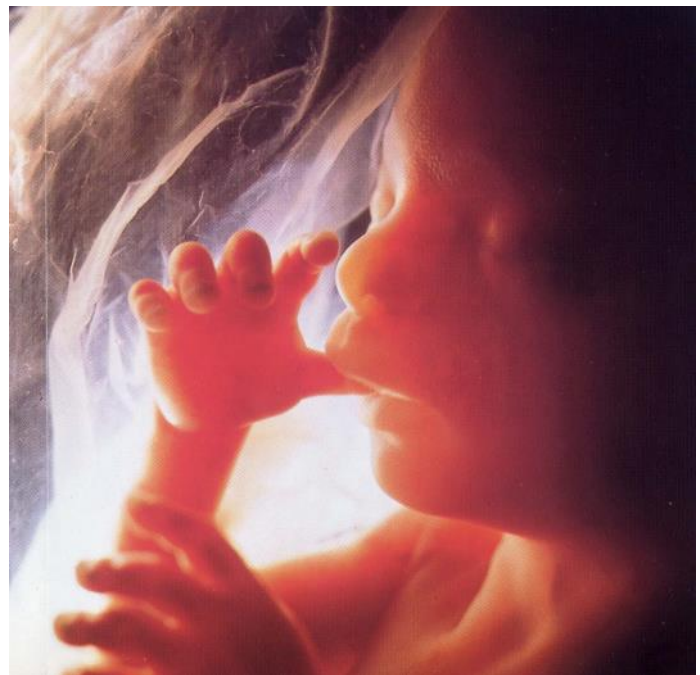
For information, please contact our chant master

John Schauble at (513) 405-5094.

Men's voices are especially desired for Gregorian chant.

Men and women are needed for hymns and polyphony.

## The Third Sunday After Epiphany



“Be not overcome by evil but overcome evil with good”

Rom.12:21

**Roe v Wade Decision**, January 22, 1973, a day that will live in infamy! National Right to Life estimates that, since the U.S. Supreme Court legalized abortion 44 years ago in *Roe v. Wade* and *Doe v. Bolton*, more than **58 million unborn children** have lost their lives. Each one of those abortions is a tragedy, not just because an innocent child died, but because of the lasting impact the abortion itself had on the mothers of those children.

In 1970, Norma McCorvey, under the pseudonym "*Jane Roe*," filed a law suit challenging the Texas laws that criminalized abortion. The case eventually reached the U.S. Supreme Court as the now-famous *Roe v. Wade*. The "*Roe*" of that case has

### MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Jan 22 8:00 AM 10:30 AM	<b>Third Sunday After Epiphany</b> Alexander Sprinkle <i>Pro Populo</i>
Jan 23 Monday 7:15AM	<b>St. Raymond of Penafort, Confessor</b> Virgil Geronimo
Jan 24 Tuesday 7:15AM	<b>St. Timothy, Bishop &amp; Martyr</b> Victor and Patricia Reinhart
Jan 25 Wednesday 7:15AM	<b>Conversion of St. Paul</b> Wanda Voris +
Jan 26 Thursday 7:15AM	<b>St. Polycarp, Bishop &amp; Martyr</b> Joseph Hausmann + (Anniversary)
Jan 27 Friday <b>7:00PM*</b>	<b>St. John Chrysostom, Bishop &amp; Doctor of the Church</b> Edwin Babbitt III
Jan 28 Saturday 9:00AM	<b>St. Peter Nolasco, Confessor</b> Regina Green
Jan 29 8:00 AM 10:30 AM	<b>Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany</b> Special Intention (G.L.) <i>Pro Populo</i>

since revealed that the case was built on a lie. Norma McCorvey describes herself as having been relatively ignorant of the facts of her own case, and claims that her attorneys simply used her for their own predetermined ends. They "were looking for somebody, anybody, to use to further their own agenda. I was their most willing dupe." She had indeed become pregnant with her third child and sought to end her pregnancy, but she was not aware of all the implications of abortion or even what the term itself meant. "'Abortion', to me, meant 'going back' to the condition of not being pregnant." She did not fully realize that this process would end a human life. She says that her attorney Sarah Weddington, rather than correcting her misconceptions, deliberately confused the issue: "For their part, my lawyers lied to me about the nature of abortion. Weddington convinced me, 'It's just a piece of tissue'. Another problem was that Norma claimed that her pregnancy was the result of a rape, in order to present a more sympathetic picture. As she has since admitted, this was totally untrue. Norma states that her actual involvement in the case was minimal. She signed the initial affidavit without even reading it, and "was never invited into court. I never testified. I was never present before any court on any level, and I was never at any hearing on my case . . . I found out about the decision from the newspaper just like the rest of the country." Norma never had an abortion. She gave her baby up for adoption. Today Norma is a pro life Catholic who regrets having been involved in that infamous case that has destroyed so many lives. To her credit she has tried to undo the damage done even testifying before Congress about the injustices and the deceit underlying Roe V Wade. In 2003 she went to court in an attempt to overturn it. But the case was dismissed by the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals.

This past Friday our current president was inaugurated into office. He has promised to appoint Supreme Court justices that will be pro life. He already has the right to fill Justice Antonin Scalia's vacant chair and will no doubt have one or two more appointees in the next four years. We might ask: Is it possible for Roe V. Wade to be overturned?

Yes, and as fundamentally bad constitutional law and a slap to the face of God, it must be!

Historically, erroneous Supreme Court decisions have been corrected in two basic ways: Either by amendment to the U.S. Constitution or by the Court's own subsequent decisions.

Article V of the U.S. Constitution provides that amendments can be proposed either by Congress or by a convention and any proposed amendments can be ratified either by the state legislatures or by special conventions in the states. "Super-majority" levels of approval are required in proposing (two-thirds) and in ratifying (three-fourths).

Over the years, 27 amendments have been added to the Constitution. All were proposed by Congress, with 26 amendments being ratified by the state legislatures and one, the Twenty-First Amendment, by state conventions. The convention method of proposing amendments was not the route used in any successful amendments to date. Nevertheless, the method represents a way for the states to take needed amendment action when Congress refuses or fails to act, especially to curb excesses and abuses. Needless to say, the formal amendment process is difficult, as it was intended to be. The more straightforward approach is for the Court to correct its own mistakes. As Chief Justice William Rehnquist noted in his separate opinion in *Casey*, "Over the past 21 years, for example, the Court has overruled in whole or in part 34 of its previous constitutional decisions." The Court likewise should correct *Roe*, for principled as well as practical reasons. Justice Antonin Scalia had observed that, with neither constitutional text nor accepted legal traditions on which to rely, the Court, as a legal institution, has no way to resolve the abortion issue. "If only for the sake of its own preservation, the Court should return this matter to the people-where the Constitution, by its silence on the subject, left it-and let them decide, State by State, whether this practice should be allowed." In time, protection for the right to life of the unborn must be secured by amending the U.S. Constitution. Today we now have hope! Pray the rosary every day to end the horror of abortion!

#### A Letter From Dayton Right to Life

*Holy Family, - It's hard to believe it is already 2017! We hope you have had a wonderful Christmas and a Happy New Year! As we look back on this year, we are so grateful for how you have blessed our baby pantry. Your countless donations meant so much to us and our clients. Thank you for the Giving Tree items. We were overwhelmed by the generosity! You are appreciated! Thank you! The staff at Dayton Right to Life.*