

# SAINT REMY CATHOLIC CHURCH

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## MASSES

Saturday: 4:00 P.M. • Sunday: 9:00 A.M. & 11:00 A.M.

Weekdays: Wed. at 6:15 P.M., Thurs. & Fri. at 8:15 A.M., First Saturday at 8:15 A.M.

First Fridays: 7:00 A.M. during the school year, 8:15 A.M. during the summer

Holy Days: to be announced

**JULY 3**



Blessed is  
the nation  
whose God  
is the LORD.

*Psalm 33:12*

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# SCHEDULES, EVENTS & DAILY READINGS

## MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS FOR JULY 2-10

- 02 Sat:** 4:00 p.m. Living & Deceased Members of the Robert, Medge, & Danny Richard Family
- 03 Sun:** 9:00 a.m. Orville & Mary Ritter & Ed Bruns  
11:00 a.m. Joe, Ruth, & Mike Groff
- 04 Mon:** 8:15 a.m. Conversion of Our Country & Peace in the World
- 06 Wed:** 6:15 p.m. Marilyn Borchers (Anniversary)
- 07 Thurs:** 8:15 a.m. Paul, Cel, & Guy Borchers  
3:00 p.m. Confession (ending at 4:00 p.m.)  
7:00 p.m. Confession (ending at 8:20 p.m.)
- 08 Fri:** 8:15 a.m. Dillon, Toni, & Joe Baugher
- 09 Sat:** 3:00 p.m. Confession (ending at 3:45 p.m.)  
4:00 p.m. Bernice, Adrian, Fred, & Ronald Paulus, Mark McCalla, & Vic Siefing
- 10 Sun:** 8:00 a.m. Confession (ending at 8:45 a.m.)  
9:00 a.m. Bob & Marie Gariety/Ben & Hilda York  
11:00 a.m. Father Brown, Father Reutter, Father Feist, & Father Jones as they serve our parishes

*Brothers and sisters: May I never boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, through which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world...From now on, let no one make troubles for me; for I bear the marks of Jesus on my body. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit."*  
~From today's Second Reading

## MINISTRY SCHEDULES FOR THE WEEKEND OF JULY 9-10

### SERVERS

- Weekdays 7/6-7/8: Elijah Sapp, Ignatius Schulze, Alise Grillot  
Weekdays 7/13-15: Lucas Borchers, Max Mayer, Weston Delaet  
4:00 p.m. Keagan Baldrige & Jax Unrast  
9:00 a.m. Elijah Cordonnier, Zeb & Eli Borchers, Evan Smith, Xavier & Samuel Phlipot  
11:00 a.m. Levi & Weston Delaet

### LECTORS

- 4:00 p.m. Judy Goubeaux  
9:00 a.m. Pam DeLoye  
11:00 a.m. Claire Meyer

### DISTRIBUTORS

- 4:00 p.m. Carrie Heuing  
9:00 a.m. Chris Tebbe  
11:00 a.m. Deacon Meyer

### USHERS FOR THE MONTH OF JULY

- 4:00 p.m. Ron Simon, Matt Shappie, Dan Hoying, Kurtis Black  
9:00 a.m. Josh Francis, Felix Francis, Adam Wood, Aaron Condon  
11:00 a.m. Larry Platfoot, AJ Borchers, Pat Burke, VOLUNTEER NEEDED

### COLLECTION COUNTERS

Dave Borchers, Jerry Borchers, & Josh Pleiman



**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION** is held every Thursday, beginning at the conclusion of the 8:15 a.m. Mass, and ending with Benediction at 8:30 p.m.

### WEEKLY RECONCILIATION SCHEDULE

Thursday: 3:00—4:00 p.m., 7:00—8:20 p.m.  
Saturday: 3:00—3:45 p.m.  
Sunday: 8:00—8:45 a.m.

### REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETINGS:

- Knights of Columbus—3rd Monday of the month (July 18) at 8:00 p.m. in the parish office basement.
- Children's Adoration—will resume again in the fall.
- Pastoral Advisory Council—does not meet during the summer.
- St. Vincent de Paul Society—2nd Wednesday of the month (July 13) at 7:00 p.m. at the Russia Library.
- Catholic War Veterans—3rd Wednesday of the month (July 20) at 8:00 p.m. at the CWV Hall.
- Patriotic Rosary—will be prayed on the 4th of July at 7:45 a.m., as well as on the 1st Friday of the month (August 5) following the 8:15 a.m. Mass.
- Blessing for Expectant Mothers—will take place in church following the 11:00 Mass on the first Sunday of the month.

## READINGS FOR THIS WEEK

- This Sunday:** Is 66:10-14c  
Gal 6:14-18  
Lk 10:1-12, 17-20  
Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
- Monday:** Hos 2:16, 17c-18, 21-22  
Mt 9:18-26
- Tuesday:** Hos 8:4-7, 11-13  
Mt 9:32-38  
St. Anthony Zaccaria, St. Eliz. of Portugal
- Wednesday:** Hos 10:1-3, 7-8, 12  
Mt 10:1-7  
St. Maria Goretti
- Thursday:** Hos 11:1-4, 8e-9  
Mt 10:7-15
- Friday:** Hos 14:2-10  
Mt 10:16-23
- Saturday:** Is 6:1-8  
Mt 10:24-33  
St. Augustine Zhao Rong
- Next Sunday:** Dt 30:10-14  
Col 1:15-20  
Lk 10:25-37  
Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

# WHY DO CATHOLICS DO THAT?

*The following information was taken from articles written by Philip Kosloski and found at [www.aleteia.org](http://www.aleteia.org).*

***How should we respond when the Gospel is read?*** Sometimes it is tempting to go through the motions at Mass, and when we stand for the Gospel, the words spoken go in one ear and out the other. However, this is an important time of the Mass, as Jesus Himself speaks in the Gospel. He is speaking to us in particular, and our hearts need to be ready for this encounter.

Dom Prosper Gueranger, in his *Liturgical Year*, suggests an attentive attitude when we stand for the Gospel: "You will stand during the Gospel as though you were waiting the orders of your Lord, and at the commencement (beginning), make the Sign of the Cross on your forehead, lips, and breast, and then listen to every word of the priest or deacon. Let your heart be ready and obedient." Gueranger also shares a Bible verse that can summarize our attitude and help us stay focused: "Speak Lord, for your servant is listening" (as spoken by Samuel in 1 Sam 3:9). The next time we stand for the Gospel, let's call to mind these words and be attentive to the words of Jesus that are addressed to us.

***How to make the Sign of the Cross before the Gospel at Mass.*** For Roman Catholics, there is a quick gesture that can often go unnoticed before the recitation of the Gospel at Mass. It is a brief tracing of the cross that contains much symbolism. The gesture is a direct imitation of what the priest or deacon is instructed to do before he recites the words of the holy Gospel. The *Roman Missal* states, "Then, with the thumb of his right hand, he makes the Sign of the Cross first on the book at the beginning of the Gospel to be read, and then on himself on the forehead, mouth, and breast." Prior to that, if a deacon is going to proclaim the Gospel, the priest will give him a blessing as he recites the following prayer: "May the Lord be in your heart and on your lips, that you may proclaim his Gospel worthily and well, in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit." In a similar way, when the priest is the one to proclaim the Gospel, he prays these words silently: "Cleanse my heart and my lips, almighty God, that I may worthily proclaim Your holy Gospel." All others attending Mass are invited to make a similar prayer and gesture before the Gospel is read. They are encouraged to say interiorly a brief prayer that prepares them to receive the Word of God, such as: "May the Word of the Lord be in my mind, on my lips, and in my heart."

It is a beautiful action, one with deep biblical roots. The prayer is reminiscent of how the prophet Isaiah received a vision where an angel purified his lips with a burning coal. It also reminds us how God explains to the people of Israel to recite: "Hear, O Israel! The Lord is our God, the Lord alone! Therefore, you shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength." He further instructs them, "Take to heart these words...drill them into your children. Speak of them at home and abroad...let them be as a pendant on your forehead." (These passages can be found in the sixth chapter of Deuteronomy, verses 4-9). Many Jews took this literally and placed a small scroll on their forehead. It was a visible reminder to keep the Word of God always on their mind. Thus, when we make this gesture at Mass, it is truly a profound prayer, opening ourselves up to the words of Jesus Christ. Every time we listen to the Gospel, Jesus is knocking at the door of our heart, waiting to get in. We just have to open the door.

***Why do we make the Sign of the Cross before praying?*** When a group of Christians from different denominations get together to pray, it is easy to figure out who is Catholic. Instead of diving right into the prayer by addressing God the Father, we use our hand to trace a cross over our body. What is the history behind this? According to writings that date back to the 3rd century, Christians have been making the Sign of the Cross over their bodies from the very beginning. Christian apologist Tertullian wrote at that time, "We Christians wear out our foreheads with the Sign of the Cross. In all our travels and movements, in all our coming in and going out, in putting on our shoes, at the bath, at the table, in lighting our candles, in lying down, in sitting down, whatever employment occupies us, we mark our foreheads with the Sign of the Cross." St. Cyril of Jerusalem, who lived in the 4th century, noted in his *Catechetical Lectures*, "Let us then not be ashamed to confess the Crucified. Be the cross our seal, made with boldness by our fingers on our brow and in everything; over the bread we eat and the cups we drink, in our comings and in our goings out; before our sleep, when we lie down and when we awake; when we are traveling, and when we are at rest." [It is said that St. Patrick liked to make the Sign of the Cross during all his daily activities, over 400 times a day!]

It is believed this early tradition of marking one's body with the cross was inspired by a passage in the book of Ezekiel where it says, "And the Lord said to him, 'Go through...Jerusalem, and put a mark upon the foreheads of the men who sigh and groan over all the abominations that are committed in it.'" The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* tells us: "The Christian begins his day, his prayers, and his activities with the Sign of the Cross; 'in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.' The baptized person dedicates the day to the glory of God and calls on the Savior's grace, which lets him act in the Spirit as a child of the Father. The Sign of the Cross strengthens us in temptations and difficulties" (2157). The cross is at the very center of what we believe, and crossing ourselves is supposed to be a constant reminder of the price Jesus paid for our sins. It is both a profession of faith and a simple prayer that has such great power. According to St. John Chrysostom, "wherever [demons] see the Sign of the Cross, they fly away, dreading it as a staff that they are beaten with." This sign recalls the profound sacrifice of Jesus and actively calls upon His aid to help us in our need.

# LIVE YOUR FAITH



The family receiving the **TRAVELING VOCATION CHALICE** this Sunday is Tom and Karen Doseck. The family receiving it the week of July 10 is Brent and Beth Schulze. Please pick up the chalice from the table inside the rectory door after Mass on Sunday, and return it to the same place the following Friday.

**WOULD YOU LIKE TO BRING THE TRAVELING VOCATION CHALICE AND RELATED MATERIALS INTO YOUR HOME?** Please see the binder in the back of church to sign up. This is a great tool to encourage vocations in your home, as well as to pray for our priests and for more vocations.



**CONGRATULATIONS** to Hannah Sherman and Matt Grilliot, who were married here at St. Remy's on June 25! May God bless them and help them to honor their marriage covenant as they strive to help each other to become saints.



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**THE ST. MARYS AND SIDNEY DEANERY CATHOLIC RURAL LIFE COMMITTEE** would like to recognize Catholic families who have farmed and nurtured the same land for 100 years or more. They will honor those families at the annual Rural-Urban Mass on Thursday,

July 21 at 7:00 p.m. at the farm of Tony and Tammy Heitbrink at 1090 Minster-Egypt Pike near St. Joseph Church. If you own a farm that has been in your family for 100 years or more, please contact our parish office at (937)526-3437 to obtain the necessary form to receive a Century Farm Award at that Mass. All are welcome to attend the evening's Mass and festivities! Please bring a lawn chair.

## PLEASE PRAY FOR THE INTENTIONS OF THE HOLY FATHER FOR THE MONTH OF JULY



**Universal Intention:** We pray for the elderly, who represent the roots and memory of a people; may their experience and wisdom help young people to look towards the future with hope and responsibility.

## MASS ON JULY 4



As of July 1, we will not be having Mass at St. Remy on Mondays. However, Father James Reutter has graciously agreed to celebrate Mass here on Monday, July 4 at 8:15 a.m.; the conversion of our country and peace in the world is the intention. We thank Father in advance for his generosity!

We encourage everyone to come to church that morning at 7:45 a.m. to pray the Patriotic Rosary in thanksgiving for the Supreme Court decision regarding *Roe v. Wade* and to ask the Lord for His continued blessing on our country.



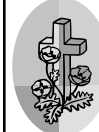
**WE ARE IN NEED OF ADDITIONAL VOLUNTEERS TO COUNT COLLECTION** to noon on Sundays. This commitment would involve helping for roughly 45 minutes once every 5 weeks. If you would like to help or get more details, please call the parish office at (937)526-3437.



**THE NEXT BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASS** will be held on Saturday, July 9 from 9:30-10:30 a.m. at the St. Joseph Village Centre. The next opportunity to take the class will be in October. Parents are required to attend a class before the Baptism of their child. Call Steven and Regina Schulze at (937)638-3642 to register or for more information.

## Welcome to our Parish!

*A long-time resident of the Russia area, Mary Stephan, has recently registered at our parish. Please extend a warm St. Remy welcome to her as she joins our parish family.*



In your charity, please pray for eternal peace and rest for **MARTHA FRANCIS**, who was buried here on Friday. May she rest in peace.

# LIVE YOUR FAITH

## Bulletin Sponsor of the Week



This week's featured sponsor is **BRUNS ANIMAL CLINIC**. Bradley Bruns, D.V.M., is a full-service veterinarian who offers nurturing care for large and small animals, including livestock and horses. Emergency service is available. In addition, he offers pet grooming and boarding. Call him at (937)526-4900 to see how he can be of service to your animals.

We extend a sincere thank you to all of the businesses that advertise on the back cover of our bulletin. Their sponsorship covers the church's entire expenses in printing the bulletins each week.

Please call on these businesses when you are looking for products and services.

**MARRIED COUPLES CELEBRATING THEIR 50th WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES** in 2022 are invited to attend one of the following Golden Anniversary Masses:

- Saturday, August 13 at 4:30 p.m. at Immaculate Conception Church in Dayton celebrated by Rev. Brian Phelps
- Sunday, August 14 at 11:00 a.m. at the Cathedral Basilica of St. Peter in Chains in Cincinnati celebrated by Archbishop Dennis Schnurr

If you would like to participate in one of these Masses, please register by completing the online form at <https://www.centerforthenewevangelization.org/marriage-family/resources/wedding-anniversary-certificate-request>.

## SUNDAY AND HOLYDAY OFFERINGS for Fiscal Year 2021 (7/1/21-6/30/22)

July 1—February 27 budgeted amount:	\$269,887
July 1—February 27 offerings received:	\$327,030
July 1—March 27 budgeted amount:	\$300,735
July 1—March 27 offerings received:	\$355,235

*If you would like to make your offerings online, please consider "bill pay" through your bank, or go to [stremychurch.com](http://stremychurch.com) and click on "Online Giving."*

*Thank you for your generosity!*

## From the Deacon's Desk

*The following article was written by Deacon Mike Meyer.*



Just as the wheat fields around Bradford, Versailles, Russia, North Star, Greenville, Frenchtown, and Osgood are ripe and ready to be harvested, so are the lost souls of so many people in our families and our communities ripe and ready to listen to God's Word and surrender their hearts and lives over to God and His Church. God is calling on all of His people to reach out and to love them in order to bring in the harvest. Everyone is necessary, for the harvest is truly great and in need of an abundance of laborers.

Who is God calling you to reach out to and to help them meet their needs? Who is He calling you to invite into the sacramental life of the Church? Who is He calling you to share your faith with? Lord, help us to answer Your call with love!

In today's Gospel, we hear Jesus say to his disciples, "The harvest is abundant but the laborers are few...go on your way." What an awesome responsibility and privilege it is that the Lord has entrusted us to carry the message of His love and mercy to the world. We ask Him to give us wisdom, courage, and strength to carry on His ministry to the best of our abilities, striving to follow His commands to the full and to reach the highest good—and helping others to do the same. St. Teresa of Avila reminds us: "Christ has no body now but yours; no hands; no feet on earth but yours. Yours are the eyes through which the compassion of Christ looks out to the world. Yours are the feet with which He is to go about doing good. Yours are the hands with which He blesses all the world!" Let us be the body, the hands, the feet, the eyes of Christ.

**Please remember to pray for the people listed in the St. Remy Prayer Intentions Book located in the back of church.**

# RUSSIA COMMUNITY NEWS



**A CWV CHICKEN FRY** will be held at their hall on Kelch Road on Friday, July 8, beginning at 4:30 p.m. and ending when sold out. All are welcome!



**A NEW CIVIC MERIT PROGRAM** named the "Village of Russia Legion d'honneur" is accepting nominations for this coming year's first annual induction, currently scheduled for Spring of 2023. Nominate someone, living or deceased, who you feel has contributed to our community in a profound way. Nominations must be postmarked by August 15, 2022 and sent to Russia Local School at 100 School Street; they may also be dropped off at the school office by that date. See the village website at [www.russiaoh.com](http://www.russiaoh.com) for details, or contact Levi Francis at (937)248-9046.

# CCD & YOUTH MINISTRY

## ST. REMY'S IS HIRING A DIRECTOR OF YOUTH MINISTRY AND A DIRECTOR OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

- The youth ministry position is a full-time position. The applicant must be Catholic and be able to demonstrate a grasp of Catholic theology and spirituality, and also have experience in supervision. He/she must either have catechetical/theological training or be prepared to pursue it. Responsibilities will include organizing and leading faith-centered activities for youth (grades 7-12) and college age parishioners, helping with adult faith formation, and being responsible for compliance with child-protection requirements. The youth minister will report to the pastor, but will also work with staff and volunteers. He/she must be a self-starter, creative, and well organized.
- The director of religious education position is part-time and involves directing the Catholic education of students in grades K-12. The same qualifications for an applicant for the youth ministry position apply. For either position, submit a resume with letter of introduction and references to Pastor, 108 E. Main Street, Russia, Ohio, 45363. The deadline is July 15.

## We are in Need of Religion Teachers

We are in need of teachers for the following classes this coming school year:

Grade 1 on Wednesday afternoons from 12:10-1:10 p.m.

Grade 3 on Wednesday afternoons from 1:10-2:10 p.m. (2 teachers needed)

Grade 7 on Wednesday evenings from 7:00-8:00 p.m.

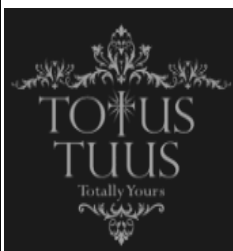
Please call the parish office at (937)526-3437 or email Karen Rosenbeck at [stremydr@roadrunner.com](mailto:stremydr@roadrunner.com) for more information. Remember, God doesn't call the qualified—He qualifies the called! Please prayerfully consider if God is calling you to join our vibrant religious education program and to serve His Church in this way.



## Save the Date for Bible Camp!

It will be held this year from Tuesday, August 9—Friday, August 12.

## Deadline to Register for Totus Tuus Summer Camp is Friday, July 8!



Totus Tuus means "Totally Yours." This camp will be held right here in Russia at the school for grades 1-6 and 7-12! The program for grades 1-6 will run from Monday, July 11—Friday, July 15 from 9:00 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Elementary students will need to bring a lunch along with them. The fee for elementary students is \$25 each. The program for grades 7-12 will go from Sunday, July 10—Thursday, July 14 from 7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. There is NO COST for the junior high and high school students! **All students must submit a registration form by this Friday, July 8.** Forms can be found on the St. Remy's Facebook page and on the table in the back of church.

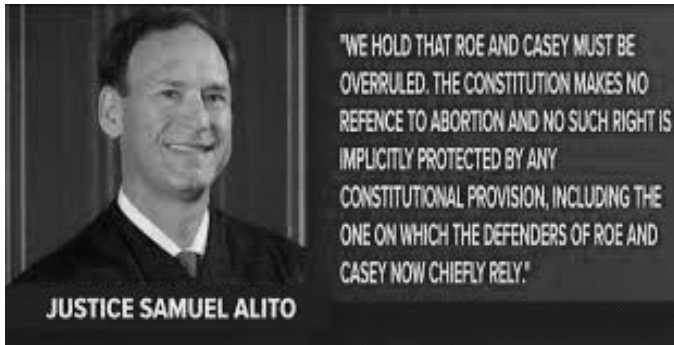
## Help Needed for Totus Tuus Camp!



Are you interested in helping with registration or lunch duty at Totus Tuus Camp from July 11-15? You can volunteer to help out with registration from 8:45-9:15 a.m., or to assist with serving lunch and cleaning up tables from 11:45 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Teacher aides are also needed in the classrooms; there will be no need to give instruction, but just to be available to assist the missionaries with classroom management. Feel free to sign up for as many or as few days as your schedule allows by contacting Gina Hoying at (937)418-2455. Thank you in advance for your generous assistance!

## Key Quotes from Justice Alito's Opinion Overturning Roe v. Wade

The following information was summarized by Adam Shaw from Fox News.



The Supreme Court last Friday issued its long-standing, and previously leaked opinion, overturning Roe v. Wade—effectively ending recognition of a constitutional right to abortion and giving individual states the power to regulate and restrict the practice. The ruling came in the court's opinion in Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization, which centered on a Mississippi law that banned abortion after 15 weeks of pregnancy. The state of Mississippi asked the Supreme Court to strike down a lower court ruling that stopped the 15-week abortion ban from taking place. Justice Samuel Alito penned the opinion. Here are 10 of the key quotes from his opinion:

### Details of how abortion was viewed pre-Roe:

“Not only was there no support for such a constitutional right until shortly before Roe, but abortion had long been a crime in every single State. At common law, abortion was criminal in at least some stages of pregnancy and was regarded as unlawful and could have very serious consequences at all stages. American law followed the common law until a wave of statutory restrictions in the 1800's expanded criminal liability for abortions. By the time of the adoption of the Fourteenth Amendment, three-quarters of the States had made abortion a crime at any stage of pregnancy, and the remaining States would soon follow.”

**Roe 'egregiously wrong,' deepened division:** “Roe was egregiously wrong from the start. Its reasoning was exceptionally weak, and the decision has had damaging consequences. And far from bringing about a national settlement of the abortion issue, Roe and Casey have enflamed debate and deepened division. It is time to heed the Constitution and return the issue of abortion to the people's elected representatives.”

**Confusion over what the 14th Amendment protects:** “In interpreting what is meant by the Fourteenth Amendment's reference to 'liberty,' we must guard against the natural human tendency to confuse what that Amendment protects with our own ardent views about the liberty that Americans should enjoy. That is why the Court has long been 'reluctant' to recognize rights that are not mentioned in the Constitution.”

**Dismisses claim the decision will lead to reversals on same-sex marriage and contraception:** “Finally, the dissent suggests that our decision calls into question Griswold, Eisenstadt, Lawrence, and Obergefell. But we have stated unequivocally that 'nothing in this opinion should be understood to cast doubt on precedents that do not concern abortion.' We have also explained why that is so: rights regarding contraception and same-sex relationships are inherently different from the right to abortion because the latter (as we have stressed) uniquely involves what Roe and Casey termed 'potential life.'”

**Court not allowed to impose its own “theory of life” on the nation:** “Our opinion is not based on any view about if and when prenatal life is entitled to any of the rights enjoyed after birth. The dissent, by contrast, would impose on the people a particular theory about when the rights of personhood begin. According to the dissent, the Constitution requires the States to regard a fetus as lacking even the most basic human right—to live—at least until an arbitrary point in a pregnancy has passed. Nothing in the Constitution or in our Nation's legal traditions authorizes the Court to adopt that 'theory of life.'”

**Roe decision “usurped” power.** “Roe was on a collision course with the Constitution from the day it was decided. Casey perpetuated its errors, and those errors do not concern some arcane corner of the law of little importance to the American people. Rather, wielding nothing but 'raw judicial power,'...the Court usurped the power to address a question of profound moral and social importance that the Constitution unequivocally leaves for the people.”

**Roe “relies on an erroneous historical narrative”:** “Roe found that the Constitution implicitly conferred a right to obtain an abortion, but it failed to ground its decision in text, history, or precedent. It relied on an erroneous historical narrative; it devoted great attention to and presumably relied on matters that have no bearing on the meaning of the Constitution; it disregarded the fundamental between the precedents on which it relied and the question before the Court; it concocted an elaborate set of rules, with different restrictions for each trimester of pregnancy, but it did not explain how this veritable code could be teased out of anything in the Constitution, the history of abortion laws, prior precedent, or any other cited source; and its most important rule (that States cannot protect fetal life prior to 'viability') was never raised by any Opinion of the Court party and has never been plausibly explained.”

**Emphasizes democratic consequences of Dobbs.** “Our decision returns the issue of abortion to those legislative bodies, and it allows women on both sides of the abortion issue to seek to affect the legislative process by influencing public opinion, lobbying legislators, voting, and running for office. Women are not without electoral or political power. It is noteworthy that the percentage of women who register to vote and cast ballots is consistently higher than the percentage of men who do so.”

**He does not know how the US will respond to Dobbs.** “We do not pretend to know how our political system or society will respond to today's decision overruling Roe and Casey. And even if we could foresee what will happen, we would have no authority to let that knowledge influence our decision. We can only do our job, which is to interpret the law, apply longstanding principles of stare decisis, and decide this case accordingly. We therefore hold that the Constitution does not confer a right to abortion. Roe and Casey must be overruled, and the authority to regulate abortion must be returned to the people and their elected representatives.”

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