



## Christian Voices for Life

### Weekly Pro-Life

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## Roe v. Wade and the Role of the Supreme Court

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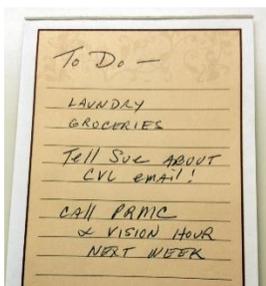
**Education:** Let's be honest. There is a lot not to like about President Trump. But many of us voted for him because he was a better choice than the alternative, and because of the crucial role of the president to name justices to the Supreme Court. Since his election, he has already filled one vacancy with Neil Gorsuch, confirmed in April of 2017, and he has now nominated Brett Kavanaugh to replace retiring Justice Anthony Kennedy. The role of the Supreme Court is to make final judgment on cases in which one party claims that laws and earlier

judgments conflict with the basic rights provided by the Constitution. Many scholars agree that the Roe v. Wade decision in 1973 to legalize abortion (formerly illegal in all 50 states) was bad law. The majority opinion was written by Justice Harry Blackmun. Edward Lazarus, formerly a clerk for Justice Blackmun, has said, "Justice Blackmun's opinion provides essentially no reasoning in support of its holding, and in the almost 30 years since Roe's announcement, no one has produced a convincing defense of Roe on its own terms."(1) And yet there are Senators in Washington who insist that a Supreme Court Justice nominee must be willing to uphold that decision. Rather we should have justices who are willing to uphold the Constitution – not a bad decision which has no real basis in the Constitution. Justice Kavanaugh serves on the DC Circuit Court, the main federal appeals court, and has excellent credentials in defending the constitution.

1. <https://nypost.com/2018/07/06/why-roe-v-wade-is-a-travesty-of-constitutional-law/>



**Prayer** Dear Father God, please rain down your grace on the members of the Senate who are asked to confirm the nomination of Justice Kavanaugh to the Supreme Court. Help them to remember that the criterion for qualification for the court is the ability to correctly interpret the constitution, not to perpetuate the legacy of a past bad decision. Please open the eyes of politicians and judges at all levels of government to understand the basic right to life of children-in-utero, and the terrible pain that abortion inflicts on women. Please help our country to overcome the divisiveness of differing opinions and special interests and unite in working together for the common good of all.



**Action:** Express your support for the nomination of Justice Kavanaugh by signing the petition [here](#). Pray for the conversion of pro-abortion politicians and judges. When a decision needs to be made, be sure to inform your representatives of your support for any measure which provides greater protection of the right to life. The mainstream media is extremely biased in its coverage of stories relating to abortion rights, and often fails to publicize large pro-life demonstrations. Do what you can to make sure the people you are in contact with are aware of the truth of the humanity of pre-born children, and the devastating effects of abortion on women, men, and families.