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## 2023 Roe Memorial Mass and North Texas March for Life and Rally Set

## for Saturday, January 14

On January 14, 2023, thousands of North Texas Catholics will come together at the 2023 Roe Memorial Mass and North Texas March for Life to celebrate the end of legalized abortion in Texas and to remember the loss of close to 64 million children in our country over the past 50 years.

The day will begin with prayer memorials, a Youth Rally and the Roe Memorial Mass which will be followed by the march from the Cathedral Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe to the pro-life rally outside of the Earle Cabell Federal Courthouse, housing the district court where Roe vs Wade was first filed in 1970.

"2022 was monumental for the pro-life cause as Roe vs. Wade was overturned, but the work continues," states Geralyn Kaminsky, Executive Director of the Catholic Pro-Life Community. "The North Texas March for Life and Roe Memorial Mass are happening to remind all of us to never forget the almost 64 million lives lost due to that law, and to focus us on the work still left to do."

The schedule of events for Saturday, January 14 are as follows:

• Rosary Memorials from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. outside Dallas former abortion facilities

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- Youth Call to Action Memorial & Mass at St. Jude Chapel in downtown Dallas. Doors open at 8:30 a.m.
- Our Lady's Altar of Roses at 9:45 a.m. at Cathedral Shrine of the Virgin of Guadalupe
- Roe Memorial Mass at 10:00 a.m. at Cathedral Shrine of the Virgin of Guadalupe. This Bilingual Votive Mass in honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary will be celebrated by Bishop Edward Burns with Bishop Greg Kelly and Rector of the Cathedral, Very Rev. Jesús Belmontes.
- North Texas March for Life at 12:30 p.m. from Cathedral to rally at federal courthouse

Featured speakers at the March for Life Rally include:

- Bishop Edward J. Burns, Catholic Diocese of Dallas
- Erin Quinn, Strategic Partnership Advisor of Students for Life of America
- Kyleen Wright, President of Texans for Life Coalition
- Maria Puccini, Executive Director of In My Shoes
- Claudia Silva, Bilingual Personal Testimony from Project Rachel (English and Spanish)

The 2023 Roe Memorial Mass and North Texas March for Life are sponsored by Texans for Life, the Catholic Pro-Life Community, the Respect Life Ministry of the Diocese of Dallas, and the Respect Life Office of the Diocese of Fort Worth. For more information about these events, please visit northtexasmarchforlife.org, or prolifedallas.org/roe or contact the Catholic Pro-Life Community at 972-267-LIFE (5433).

The Catholic Pro-Life Community, the Respect Life Ministry of the Diocese of Dallas commissioned in 1993, is devoted to ending abortion and restoring respect and legal protection for every human life. The CPLC carries out this mission through life-saving ministries serving the public with supportive services for mothers and their children, education and advocacy on life issues and women's health, and abortion

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aftercare. The CPLC has been called the largest and most effective diocesan pro-life organization in the world and a model for the nation.

Texans for Life has been working to build a culture of life in Texas since 1974. We were proud to sponsor the state's life-saving sonogram law and were one of the main architects of HB 2, which together will save tens of thousands of babies and better protect their moms in Texas.

With the guidance of the U.S. Catholic Bishop's Plan for Pro-Life Activities, the Respect Life Office is committed to advancing the Culture of Life in the Diocese of Fort Worth. The Respect Life Office serves the parishes and community through prayer, education, pastoral care, and civic action. It is our mission to promote the dignity of every human life from conception until natural death.

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