

ROE V WADE

Why it matters

The US Supreme court may overturn the Roe v Wade decision.




WHY? The main legal point that there is a right to abortion, which was the foundation for the 1973 decision, has no basis in fact because the US Constitution does not refer to abortion.



IF OVERTURNED WILL ABORTION BE BANNED IN THE US?
No. It means that US abortion laws will be decided by individual states. Some states may decide to ban abortion saving the lives of the unborn.



WHAT HAS THE FIRST MINISTER OF SCOTLAND SAID?


 The right of women to decide what happens to our own bodies is a human right. And experience tells us that removing the legal right to abortion doesn't stop abortions happening - it just makes them unsafe and puts the lives of women at much higher risk #RoeVWade

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ALSO HUMAN, BUT NO RIGHTS



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The reality of abortion, however is the killing of another, distinct, human being who is extremely vulnerable and at the mercy of other, more powerful human beings. This truth cannot be ignored. We must respect the right to life of all, including the unborn.

DIRECTOR OF THE SCOTTISH CATHOLIC PARLIAMENTARY OFFICE

PEACEFUL PRO-LIFE PRAYER VIGILS UNDER THREAT
Politicians in Scotland are backing calls for the removal of peaceful prayer vigils, which offer women alternatives to abortion outside hospitals and clinics where abortions take place.



"9,898,425 lives lost as a result of 54 years of legal abortion in the UK."
- Society for the Protection of Unborn Children

Catholic social teaching places emphasis on helping those in need. We care for unborn children and their mothers to follow what Jesus

said in St Matthew's Gospel: "Just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me." (Mt 25:40)

Could you help unborn children and their mothers in our Archdiocese? There are lots of different ways to help so please contact Paul Atkin at the Archdiocesan Pro-Life Office: 0131 623 8917 | prolife@stanned.org.uk

