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Dear Brothers:

I invite you and your parishioners to join me and Catholics nationwide in a weekly moment of prayer from early August to late September 2018 for the legal protection of human life.

As soon as Supreme Court Justice Anthony Kennedy announced his retirement, pro-abortion groups began lobbying the U.S. Senate to reject any nominee who does not promise to endorse *Roe v. Wade*. We should certainly raise grave concerns about a confirmation process that is being grossly distorted by efforts to subject judicial nominees to a litmus test of support for abortion. And we must pray.

As part of the USCCB Call to Prayer, participants can receive weekly prayer reminders by text message or email. In addition to the current invitation to fast on Fridays, participants will be encouraged to pray one *Our Father*, *Hail Mary*, and *Glory Be* for this intention and will receive important facts about how *Roe* is not health care, is bad law, and fails women.

Please encourage your parishioners to sign up at www.usccb.org/pray for this and the continuing Call to Prayer initiatives.

Thank you for your continued, prayerful leadership.

Sincerely in Our Lord,

Most Reverend W. Francis Malooly
Bishop of Wilmington