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### **Respect Life Mass – *Day of Penance and Prayer* January 22**

Columbus – The Most Reverend Frederick F. Campbell, Bishop of the Catholic Diocese of Columbus, will offer the annual Respect Life Mass on Thursday, January 22, 2009, at 10:30 a.m., at St. Joseph Cathedral, 212 East Broad Street, Columbus.

January 22, a day when we sadly recall the U.S. Supreme Court decision *Roe v. Wade* which legalized abortion, is recognized as a day of penance for violations to the dignity of the human person committed through acts of abortion, and as a day of prayer for the full restoration of the legal guarantee of the right to life. All are invited. Following this Mass, the Youth Rally for Life, coordinated by the Columbus Right to Life, will be held from noon to 1 p.m. at the Ohio State House.

For information, contact the diocesan Office for Social Concerns at 614-241-2540. To read more about the Catholic Church's teachings regarding pro-life issues, visit the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops website at [www.usccb.org/prolife](http://www.usccb.org/prolife).