

January 22, 2011

Dear Friends in the Lord:

On this somber day in which we commemorate the tragic decision of the United States Supreme Court, *Roe v. Wade*, I am delighted to announce the establishment of the *Pro-Life Commission* of the Archdiocese of New York.

The twenty-five members and four consultants of this Commission will assist the archdiocese and me in our efforts to foster a greater appreciation of the sanctity of life for every human person, from conception through natural death.

These professional men and women, from a variety of backgrounds, fields, and areas of expertise have generously offered their time and talent to engage in research, writing, coordination of events, and so much more on behalf of life. For this I am most grateful, and look forward to working with them over the years that lie ahead.

With prayerful best wishes, I am,

Faithfully in Christ,

Most Reverend Timothy M. Dolan  
Archbishop of New York