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American National Catholic Church Applauds SCOTUS Rulings

The American National Catholic Church joyfully affirms and celebrates the two landmark decisions handed down by the U.S. Supreme Court. Both of them affirm human dignity, enrich community, and attest to the deepest values of democracy as well as the spirit of the Gospel.

ANCC Presiding Bishop George L. Lucey, FCM, issued this statement:

“The American National Catholic Church celebrates with all people of good will the two recent Supreme Court decisions which uphold the dignity of the human persons as reflected in the teaching of the Catholic Church.

“Since its inception, the American National Catholic Church has recognized that the origin of our hearts’ capacity to love resides with God, and accordingly has always celebrated sacramentally the union of all who wish to reflect this God-given love in matrimony. The Supreme Court’s decision today recognizing the loving relationship between same-sex couples strengthens the bond of the sacrament of marriage for all.

“Furthermore, the high court’s decision to continue subsidies in the Affordable Health Care Act allows millions of people to continue to enjoy a quality of life that reflects the Church’s teaching on the dignity and worth of all.”

The American National Catholic Church is an inclusive Catholic community independent of the Roman Catholic Church dedicated to making the world a more caring place. Guided by a presiding bishop, the ANCC celebrates the same sacraments as the Roman Church and follows the spirit of reform initiated by the Second Vatican Council. Although sharing core theological and liturgical practices with Roman Catholicism, the ANCC differs on several major issues, such as married clergy, female priests, divorce and re-marriage, same-sex marriage, and lay leadership. The Church has parishes across the U.S. and a host of ministries to the alienated, under-served, and forgotten. For more information, visit www.TheANCC.org.