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*"Under the Constitution, a government may not treat religious persons, religious organizations, or religious speech as second-class." (1)*  
**Supreme Court Justice Brett Kavanaugh**

### **Good News for Religious Freedom from Supreme Court**

The Supreme Court unanimously ruled in a 9-0 vote on May 2, 2022, that the city of Boston, MA, wrongly banned Christian flags from a community flag program in City Hall Plaza and that the city of Boston discriminated against Camp Constitution when it denied its application that referred to a "Christian flag." (2) This is "viewpoint discrimination." For the previous 12 years, Boston approved 284 flag-raising by private organizations with no denials until now.

Soon to retire Justice Stephen Breyer said, "... Boston's refusal to let Camp Constitution raise their flag based on its religious viewpoint 'abridged their freedom of speech.'" (3) Alliance Defending Freedom (ADF) Senior Counsel wrote, "The city of Boston's exclusion of religious expression from an otherwise wide-open public program amounted to discrimination based on viewpoint and is therefore unconstitutional. ... this is about the protection of our First Amendment rights, which extend equally to all Americans, without government punishment." (4)

### **H.S. Football Coach Silent Prayer Now Before Supreme Court**

On April 25, 2022, the Supreme Court heard the case of former high school football coach Joseph Kennedy who was fired after his practice of a silent, one-minute prayer at the 50-yard line following games at a Washington School district. This case could affirm religious rights in public schools. A ruling is expected in June. (5)

### **U.S. Bishops to Send Out Teams of "Preachers"**

Sixty Eucharistic preachers have been chosen to share their faith that Jesus is truly present in the Eucharist, and that He has the power to transform the world. These 60 Eucharistic preachers will form the "front line" of the Church's Eucharistic Revival, a three-year grassroots initiative aimed at increasing devotion and belief in the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist. (6)

***We are "living on the eve of one of the great spiritual revivals in human history."***  
**Venerable Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen**

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