Mount St. Mary's professor joins CCHD as consultant on moral, ethical issues

WASHINGTON - A professor of moral theology at Mount St. Mary's Seminary in Emmitsburg, Md., has joined the Catholic Campaign for Human Development as a consultant on moral and ethical issues.

Capuchin Father Daniel Mindling, who also serves as academic dean at the seminary, will advise the campaign when questions surface about particular activities of a CCHD-funded group and to ensure that the program clearly follows Catholic teaching and moral principles.

Bishop William F. Murphy of Rockville Centre, N.Y., chairman of the U.S. bishops' Committee on Domestic Justice and Human Development, said in a statement that the priest will play an important role in CCHD's effort to reach out to poor and vulnerable people.

Father Mindling is no stranger to programs at the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops. He serves as a consultant to the bishops' Committee on Pro-Life Activities and the bishops' Task Force on Catholic Health Care.

The moral theologian was recommended to serve as a consultant to the bishops' program that addresses social injustices by Cardinal-designate Donald W. Wuerl of Washington, who chairs the bishops' Committee on Doctrine.

He also served as an adviser to the work group that prepared the "Report on the Review and Renewal of CCHD" issued Oct. 26. The report outlined a series of steps that the program will undertake to ensure that the work of local anti-poverty groups aligns with church teaching.

Adding a consultant who is a moral theologian was among the steps outlined in the report.