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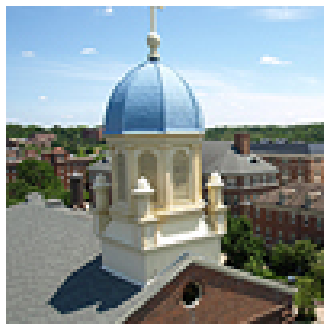
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06.04.2009 | Catholic Two strong voices on Catholic issues, who are joining the University of Dayton faculty in August, recently talked to the *National Catholic Reporter* about the 2008 economic meltdown and how Catholic social teaching should be better incorporated in Catholic educational institutions.

David J. O'Brien, who has been named University Professor of Faith and Culture, and Vincent Miller, named the first Gudorf Chair in Catholic Theology and Culture, were quoted in the June 8 story "Economy for the common good: Catholic teaching offers moral perspective on current crisis." (url: <http://ncronline.org/news/justice/economy-common-good>)

In "Call to the bishops: 'Build on hope, not on fear,'" (url: <http://ncronline.org/news/politics/call-bishops-build-hope-not-fear>) a June 18 commentary, O'Brien traces the history of the U.S. Catholic church's engagement with politics, noting, "Catholic teaching best serves the common good when it is guided by hope rather than fear and elevates rather than debases public discourse."