

## **Monsignor Stuart Swetland**

Monsignor Stuart W. Swetland, S.T.D. currently serves as the Most Reverend Harry J. Flynn Endowed Chair for Christian Ethics and Chair of the President's Committee on Catholic Identity and Mission at Mount St. Mary's University in Emmitsburg, Maryland. He has also served as Vice President for Catholic Identity and Mission and Director of Homiletics and Pre-Theology. Before arriving at Mount St. Mary's University in 2006, Monsignor Swetland served for over a decade as Director of Newman Centers at Bradley University and University of Illinois and as Pastor of two parishes.

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Monsignor Swetland was ordained a priest in 1991 for the Diocese of Peoria, IL. He received his undergraduate degree in Physics from the United States Naval Academy. Elected a Rhodes Scholar in 1981, he entered the Catholic Church while studying at Oxford. During his time in Oxford, he captained the Oxford University Basketball team to two British University sport Federation national titles. Monsignor Swetland holds a B.A. and M.A. in Politics, Philosophy and Economics from Oxford; a M.Div. and M.A. from Mount St. Mary's Seminary; and his S.T.L. and S.T.D. from the Pontifical Lateran University, having studied at the John Paul II Institute for Studies on Marriage and Family in Washington, D.C.