# DOMINICANS

Order of Preachers

#### **FOUNDER**

Saint Dominic was born in Caleruega, Spain in 1170. He dedicated his life to promoting morality and defending the Church from heresies. In July of 1215, Dominic was granted permission to form his own religious order for the continuation of this purpose. Pope Honorius III dubbed Dominic and his six followers "The Order of Preachers."

# MOTTO

"Laudare, benedicere, praedicare"

"To praise, to bless, to preach"

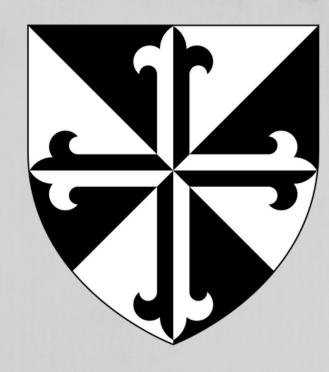
# **TYPE**

The Dominicans are a Mendicant Religious Order. Mendicants are friars or sisters that live from alms, recite the Divine Office, and evangelize through apostolic activities.

#### **HABIT**

The word 'habit' comes from the Latin habitus which means clothing. The Dominicans wear a habit comprising of a white tunic, scapular, and capuce, together with a black cappa and capuce, a leather belt, and a rosary.

# COAT OF ARMS



# NOTABLE SAINTS

- St. Dominic de Guzman (1170
  -1221) Feast Day: August 8
- **St. Martin de Porres** (1579-1639) Feast Day: November 3
- **St. Thomas Aquinas** (1224-1274) Feast Day: January 28
- **St. Catherine of Siena** (1347-1380) Feast Day: April 29
- **St. Rose of Lima** (1586-1617) Feast Day: August 13.

#### **SPIRITUALITY**

The pillars of spirituality for a Dominican are prayer, study, preaching, and community.

# QUOTATION

"It is by the path of love, which is charity; that God draws near to man and, man to God" - St. Albert the Great (1206-1280), Dominican Bishop

