## **Counter Reformation**

**Counter-Reformation**—The Catholic Church's response to the reformation



## **Jesuits**

- Priests who were the members of the Society of Jesus
- Educated the young
- Spread their message to Africa, China, Japan, and the American Colonies

## **Council of Trent** (Meeting of Catholic Church Leaders)

- Ended the sale of indulgences
- Wrote a new statement of rules to summarize the teachings of the Catholic Church
- Encouraged priests to live modestly and care for the poor
- Affirmed that the pope should lead the church

## **Religious Wars**

The war of ideas between the Catholics and Protestants led to real, bloody wars.

