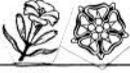


## Guide for Reading Images of Saints

Headgear		
	Aura	The "halo" may be shown around a saint's head. Jesus' aura has a cross in it.
	Veil	In this kind of art, a veil is usually worn by nun or a married woman. Women without a veil of some kind. are typically unmarried or virgins.
	Crown	Sometimes saints who were not royalty are shown with a Crown of Martyrdom.
	Papal Tiara	A pointed, jeweled crown with three bands across.
Clothing		
	Toga	An outer garment worn by men at the time of Jesus and under the Roman empire.
	Habit	A loose robe worn by <b>men or women religious</b> (friars, monks and nuns). Brown = usu. Franciscan Black = usu. Benedictine or Augustinian Black and White = Dominican or many other orders of nuns
	Cope	A special ceremonial cape worn by a bishop.
	Vestments	Similar to those worn by priests at Mass today. May include Roman collar (black with a white insert), chasuble, alb or biretta.
Accessories		
	Cross	Saints might be shown praying to a crucifix. Some saints were crucified on different shaped crosses.
	Crozier and/or Mitre, Galero	These are signs of a <b>bishop</b> . The mitre is a pointed cap with two flaps. A crozier is like a shepherd's staff. <i>You will see the bishop wearing a mitre and carrying a crozier on the day of Confirmation. A bishop who is a Cardinal may wear a flat, red galero hat.</i>
	Palm Branch	Saints who are martyrs may carry a palm branch as a sign of victory over death.
	Spare Parts, Tools & Weapons	Wheels, knives, axes, grills, arrows, spears, clubs, towers, boiling pots or ovens might appear to show how a saint was killed or tortured. A sword in the hand of a saint might show that they fought bravely for their faith.
	Flowers	Roses are for beauty. Lilies are for purity. Many saints have miracles connected with flowers appearing.
	Book or Scroll	May be held by saints who wrote many sacred texts or letters, or by those who prayed constantly.
	Bags or Baskets	Bags of money or baskets of food or flowers may show a saint's charity toward the poor.