# Emergence of Nation-States

#### I. England

- a. William the Conqueror (1) wins Battle of Hastings, 1066; (2) unites England
- b. Henry II establishes Common Law
- c. King John signs Magna Carta
- d. Henry VII unifies after War of Roses
- e. Evolution of Parliament (legislature)

#### II. France

- a. Hugh Capet establishes French throne in Paris
- b. Philip II & Philip IV establish strong central government
- c. Charles VII establishes military & taxes
- d. Joan of Arc becomes unifying factor

#### III. Spain

- a. Ferdinand & Isabella unite country
- b. Reconquista
  - i. Inquisition used to expel Jews & Muslims

#### IV. Germany

a. German Princes remain stronger than king –
 fails to unify as early as other nations

#### V. Russia

- a. Ivan the Great (1) throws off "Mongol Yoke";(2) Centralizes power in Moscow
- b. Power centralized in hands of Tsar (Czar)
- c. Eastern Orthodox Church influences unification.

## **Hundred Years War**

- France v. England
- Peasants with longbows replace knights
- Joan of Arc turns war in France's favor
- Both countries experience a new sense of *Nationalism*

# **New Invasions**

- Mongols
- Russia Khanate of the Golden Horde
- Ottoman Turks
- End ByzantineEmpire (1453)
- Create OttomanEmpire

 Clergy very often the only literate members of society

**Church Scholars** 

- Translated Greek & Arabic works into Latin
- Made new knowledge available in W. Europe
- Laid foundation for the rise of Universities



**Gothic Cathedral** 

# Late Medieval Period

# **Black Death**

- Bubonic Plague
- Spread along Trade Routes

## Impact

- Decline of Population
- Scarcity of Labor
- Towns freed from feudal obligation
- o Decline of Church influence
- Disruption of Trade

# Crusades

## Key Events

- Pope Urban calls for 1<sup>st</sup> Crusade
- Jerusalem is captured in 1<sup>st</sup>
- Crusader States established
- Jerusalem is lost to Saladin
- Constantinople sacked by Western
  Crusaders

#### Effects

- Weakened Pope & Nobles
- Strengthened Kings
- Stimulated Trade
- Left legacy of bitterness between monotheistic faiths
- Weakened Byzantine Empire