



## **Biography for Fr. Reginald Martin, O.P.**

Fr. Reginald was born in Los Angeles, and encountered the Dominican Order when he attended the Dominican high school, St. John Vianney. He graduated from Loyola University in June, 1968, and entered the Dominican novitiate two weeks later.

After pursuing studies at the Dominican School of Philosophy and Theology, a member school of the Graduate Theological Union, in Berkeley, California, our Director was ordained to the priesthood, in 1974.

Fr. Reginald has directed the Dominican campus ministry at the University of Washington, and served as pastor at the campus ministry parish at University of Oregon. He has also served as pastor at Blessed Sacrament Parish, in Seattle. In 1987, Fr. Reginald's brothers sent him to St. Mary's College, Moraga, California, to pursue studies for a Master's degree in Business Administration. When he completed his degree work, he served as assistant to two Provincials (major superiors) of the Western Dominican Province.

During the six years he recently served as superior of the Dominican House of Studies, where students live while studying at the Dominican School, Fr. Reginald became great friends with the squirrels that populate the Priory grounds. He wrote a monthly newsletter for the Priory's benefactors, which he titled "From the Prior's Window," although most of its readers called it "The Squirrel Report." Fr. Reginald looks forward to making friends with the rabbits that decorate the lawns at Vallombrosa. He also looks forward – and eagerly – to meeting the many friends who support the ministry of Vallombrosa Center.