

NOTABLE DEPARTURES IN CHURCH HISTORY

CHRONOLOGICALLY

DATE	EVENT/DOCTRINE	MISCELLANEOUS
A.D. 120	Holy water introduced	<i>Alexander</i>
A.D. 140	40 day fasting of Lent introduced	<i>Telsethorus</i>
A.D. 154	Vicarious baptism (for the dead)	<i>Marcionites</i>
A.D. 220	Doctrine of purgatory introduced	<i>Origen</i>
A.D. 250	Clinical baptism	<i>Novation sprinkled on death bed</i>
A.D. 257	Hallowed priestly garments	<i>Stephen</i>
A.D. 200s	"Sign of the Cross" introduced	
A.D. 305	Celibacy introduced	
A.D. 320	Candles replacing prayers	
A.D. 325	First ecumenical council	<i>Council of Nicea</i>
A.D. 325	First creed	<i>Nicene Creed</i>
A.D. 341	Nuns and monks	
A.D. 380	Prayers for the dead	
A.D. 385	Transubstantiation taught	<i>John Chrysostom</i>
A.D. 394	Lord's Supper incorporated into daily mass	
A.D. 300s	Mary recognized as mediatrix	<i>Ephrem the Syrian</i>
A.D. 431	Mary is recognized as <i>Theotokos</i> , Mother of God	<i>Council of Ephesus</i>
A.D. 526	Extreme unction	
A.D. 593	Doctrine of purgatory for venial (lesser) sins	<i>Gregory I</i>
A.D. 600	Latin becomes language of prayer and worship	<i>Gregory I</i>
A.D. 600	Prayer to Mary	<i>Gregory I</i>
A.D. 606	Titles "pope" & "universal bishop" first applied	<i>Boniface III by Emperor Phocas</i>
A.D. 666	Instrumental music introduced	<i>Pope Vitalian</i>
A.D. 709	Kissing of pope's foot required	<i>Constantine</i>
A.D. 750	Pope given temporal power	<i>By the Frank Pepin</i>
A.D. 786	Veneration of icons	
A.D. 788	Hagiolatry introduced	<i>Worship of departed saints</i>
A.D. 850	Holy water recognized	
A.D. 869	Tradition accepted, but unequal to Scripture	<i>Fourth Council of Constantinople</i>
A.D. 890	Establishment of college of cardinals	
A.D. 965	Baptism of bells introduced	<i>Pope John XIII</i>
A.D. 998	Canonization of dead saints	<i>Pope John XV</i>
A.D. 1054	Separation of Roman Catholic and Greek Orthodox	
A.D. 1073	Celibacy promoted	<i>Gregory VII</i>
A.D. 1096	First Crusade begins	
A.D. 1112	Pope to be recognized as authority over all churches	<i>Pope Pascal II</i>
A.D. 1123	Celibacy required of clergy	<i>First Lateran Council</i>
A.D. 1130	Definition of the "seven sacraments"	<i>DeVictore and Lombard</i>
A.D. 1190	Selling of indulgences introduced	<i>Leo X</i>
A.D. 1214	Rosary introduced	<i>Dominic of Osma</i>
A.D. 1215	Auricular confession (confession to ear of priest)	<i>Pope Innocent III</i>
A.D. 1215	Transubstantiation accepted as doctrine	<i>Fourth Lateran Council</i>
A.D. 1229	Laymen forbidden to read the Bible	<i>Council of Toulouse</i>
A.D. 1229	Inquisition begins	
A.D. 1245	Formal acceptance of doctrine of purgatory	<i>First Council of Lyon</i>
A.D. 1311	Sprinkling approved for salvation	<i>Council of Ravenna</i>
A.D. 1519	Simony introduced	<i>Selling of offices</i>
A.D. 1546	Tradition accepted as equal to Scripture	<i>Council of Trent</i>
A.D. 1546	Apocrypha recognized as Scripture	<i>Council of Trent</i>
A.D. 1546	Authorization of the "seven sacraments"	<i>Council of Trent</i>
A.D. 1546	Use of term transubstantiation adopted	<i>Council of Trent</i>
A.D. 1854	Immaculate conception introduced	<i>Pope Pius IX</i>
A.D. 1870	Papal infallibility when <i>ex cathedra</i>	<i>Pope Pius IX</i>
A.D. 1950	Assumption of Mary recognized officially	<i>Pope Pius XII</i>