

Lecture 23 The Flavians

Basic chronology

69	Accession of Vespasian; Titus is closely involved with government
70	Gallo-Batavian revolt, led by Julius Civilis; successful intervention of Petilius Cerialis
70-71	Titus campaigns in Judaea
71-73	campaign of Petilius Cerialis in Britain
72	Fall of Masada; end of the Jewish War
73-74	campaign of Pinarius Cornelius Clemens in Upper Germany
75-78	campaign of Rutilius Gallicus in Lower Germany
79	23 June: death of Vespasian Accession of Titus 24 August: eruption of the Vesuvius; Pompeii, Herculaneum and Stabia are buried by the ashes Inauguration of the Colosseum
80	Fire in the city of Rome
81	Dedication of the arch of Titus on the Via Sacra 13 September: death of Titus Accession of Domitian
83	Campaign in Germany against the Chatti
84	Agricola completes his mission in Britain
85	Coins issued with the legend 'Germania capta'
88-90	Danubian campaign; King Decebalus offers his submission to the emperor
90	Creation of permanent provinces in Upper and Lower Germany
92	Domitian leads a campaign in Germany
93	Death of Agricola
93-96	Exile of St John the Apostle in Patmos
95	Death of T. Flavius Clemens
96	18 September, Domitian is killed and Nerva is hailed as <i>princeps</i>

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