

Decay of the Republic, 150 BC to 70 BC

- 139 BC FIRST SERVILE WAR, Sicily: Four hundred slaves accept the call of Eunus and massacre the free population in the town of Enna; slaves pour from the farms and private dungeons of Sicily and swell the number of rebels to 70,000. They occupy Agrigentum, defeat the forces of the Roman praetor, and hold nearly all the island until 131, when a consular army pens them into Enna and starves them into surrender.
- 133 TIBERIUS GRACCHUS introduces his Agrarian Reform Laws, to massive opposition. Assassination of Tiberius Gracchus. Brother Caius continues the reform, tries to pack Senate. Senate opposes. Begin to block Gracchan reforms. Finally comes to blows in the Forum in 121; in 118, they abolish the Land Board.
- 121 Death of Caius GRACCHUS (mother: Cornelia)
- 119 MARIUS Tribune
- 106 Birth of Cicero, birth of Pompey
- 104-100 Elect Marius to the Consulate 4 times, against the Constitution
- 101 Marius triumphant against German tribes (Teutones), Greeted in Rome as Savior. Becomes rich with spoils of war.
- 103-99 SECOND SERVILE WAR
- 100 Birth of Julius Caesar
- 91 Drusus proposes citizenship to all Italians...Romans rage, SOCIAL WAR in Italy...against ROME, Drusus assassinated. Begins war: Rome vs. Italy.
- 90 Proclaim independent federal republic independent from Rome at CONFINIUM.
- 89 Rome ends war with Italians, awards citizenship, but watered down.
- 88 SULLA Consul, flight of Marius
- 87 Marius, reign of terror
- 83 Sulla lands at Brundisium, begins march to Rome.
- 82 Sulla takes Rome
- 78 Death of Sulla
- 73-71 THIRD SERVILE WAR (SPARTACUS)
- 70 Pompey, Crasus Consuls. Birth of Vergil.