## **JANUARY**

	Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God.
1	World Day of Peace.
	In Rome, the church St. Mary in Trastevere celebrates its stational feast. The church was build by Pope Calixtus I († 222).
	1933: Final apparition of Mary in Beauraing, Belgium (recognized by the Bishop of Namur on February 19, 1943).
2	Memorial of Panagia Portaitissa, Holiest Guardian of the Door, Mount Athos See church at: macedonian-heritage.gr/Athos/MonasteryImages/iveron/PAREKKLISI.html
3	1944: Sister Lucia is asked by the Bishop of Fatima to write down the third Fatima secret.
5	1987: The Shrine of Our Lady, Mediatrix of All Graces (Nossa Senhora Medianeira de Todas as Gracas), in Santa Maria, Rio Grande do Sul, Brazil, was elevated by the Vatican Congregation for Divine Worship to the status of a minor Basilica. More at <a href="http://www.santuariomedianeira.com.br/content/home/default2.asp">http://www.santuariomedianeira.com.br/content/home/default2.asp</a> .
6	Epiphany of the Lord (in the United States, the first Sunday after January 1), "They found the child with his mother" (Matthew 2:11-13).  804: The Marian cathedral ( <i>Marienmünster</i> ) in Aachen, built by Charlemagne, was
	dedicated on this date by Pope Leo III.
7	1844: Birth of Bernadette Soubirous in Lourdes.
8	Feast of Our Lady of Prompt Succor, New Orleans
11	Sixth century: In Rome, celebration of the dedication of the ancient and beautiful church, St. Mary in Cosmedin. The sacristy contains an eighth-century mosaic, "Adoration of the Magi."
13	1547: The Council of Trent declares that Mary remained free of all sin through a special dispensation of grace.
	1838: First Mass celebrated in New Zealand in the newly erected church of St. Mary of Hokianga.

15	1933: First apparition of Mary in Banneux, Belgium, recognized by the Bishop of Lüttich, Belgium on August 11, 1949  More at: marypages.com/banneuxEng.htm
17	1871: Apparition of Mary in Pontmain, France, recognized on February 2, 1872 by the diocesan bishop.  More at:
	marypages.com/PontmainEng.htm
18	1933: Second apparition of Mary in Banneux, Belgium. Mary points to the well.
19	1933: Third apparition of Mary in Banneux, Belgium. Mary describes herself as the Virgin of the Poor.
	1861: Death of St. Meinrad. The foundation of the Swiss place of pilgrimage, <i>Maria Einsiedeln</i> , originates with him. Abbey at: kloster-einsiedeln.ch.
20	1842: Conversion of Ratisbonne to Christianity due to an apparition of Mary in the Church of St. <i>Andrea delle Frate</i> in Rome.
	1933: Fourth apparition of Mary in Banneux, Belgium.
21	Feast of Our Lady of Altagracia, particular to the Dominican Republic.
23	Feast of the wedding of Mary and Joseph.
24	Feast of St. Francis de Sales (1567-1622), founder of the Sisters of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
31	Feast of St. John Bosco (1815-1888), founder of the Salesians and Daughters of Mary, Help of Christians.  1673: Birth of St. Louis Maria Grignion de Montfort, one of the most significant Marian saints.
OTHER	At some places of pilgrimage: Second Sunday after Epiphany, Memorial of Our Lady of Cana. Third Sunday after Epiphany: Feast of Our Lady of Bethlehem