The 4th century

Constantine, and a new capital.

The Empire recovered under Diocletian and Constantine, who made Christianity legal and founded Constantinople, the city that would carry Roman learning for a thousand years.

What rose

313. The Edict of Milan grants religious toleration. Source: Edict of Milan

325. The Council of Nicaea. Source: First Council of Nicaea

330. Constantinople is dedicated. Source: Constantinople

382. Jerome begins the Vulgate. Source: Vulgate

What fell or stalled

A Roman army was destroyed at Adrianople in 378. Source: Battle of Adrianople

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