January is an easier month with plenty of resting up, repairing and maintaining buildings, hedging and ditches around fields. It was very popular to go “wassailing” on Twelfth Night (or the day after – as an aside, because of the “day” starting at sundown on the “eve” before, the date of has become a point of great confusion between sources. The “12th day of Christmas” is on the 5th, which makes “Twelfthnight” on the evening of the 5th (the evening of the 4th being 12th day-eve), and the 6th the day of Twelfthnight (sometimes unfortunately called Twelfthday). You are almost certain to find this listed the other way around in other sources. Take your pick). "Wassailing" is a time to sing songs, praise others, and to bless the trees to insure a good crop, either by placing a piece of toast in the limbs "for the robins", or pouring cider (or Wassail) around the roots (as an offering to the spirit of the tree). This ritual, depending on your location, might also occur on Christmas Eve or New Years. 'Wassail' and the 'wassail bowl' are the modern spelling of the Middle English 'waes hael' ("to be of good health"), and thence from the Old English 'wes hal' and the Old Norse 'Ves Heill'. The term refers to the spiced drink (often used for Christmas drinks as well), a salutation (often replied to with 'drinkhail'), caroling and singing.

Spinning thread was resumed around the 7th (it having been given up for the season), and beginning on the 8th, the local community might get together to bless the communal plow, only after which could the local winter plowing the various fields begin.

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“Now weather is hard, get much out of yard;
Now season is good to lop or fell wood.
Bid Christmas adieu, thy stock now renew;
From Christmas to May weak cattle decay;
With verjuice acquaint poor bullock so faint;
Warm bath give lambs, good food to their dams;
Keep sheep out of briars, keep beast out of miers;
Calf large and lean is best to wean;
Sow, ready to fare, craves huswife's care.
Who now sows oats gets gold and groats.
Set garden pease and beans if you please;
Sow kernals to bear of apple and pear;
Peach, plum-tree, and cherry, young bay and his herry;
Now set or remove such stocks as ye love.

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Plough Monday, next after that Twelfth tide is past,
Bids out with the plough, the worst husband is last.
If ploughman get hatchet or whip to the screen,
Maids losest their cock if no water be seen.”
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Although all the days of the year are some saint or others’ day, some of the fixed holy days for January include:

The 1st – The Circumcision, or The Holy Name of Our Lord Jesus Christ (8th day of Christmas)
The 2nd – St. Isidore, St. Maccarius (9th day of Christmas)
The 3rd – St. Genevieve (10th day of Christmas)
The 4th – St. Hermetis (11th day of Christmas)
The 5th – St. Simon Styletes (12th day of Christmas) (Twelfth night begins at Sundown which starts the next day).
The 6th – The Epiphany of Our Lord Jesus Christ, sometimes called “Twelfthday” (Prompting much confusion).
The 25th – The Conversion of Paul
The 31st – February Eve, Brigid Eve or Imbolc/Oimelc Eve.

First Sunday after 6 January ("Plough Sunday"), First Monday after Plough Sunday ("Plough Monday")