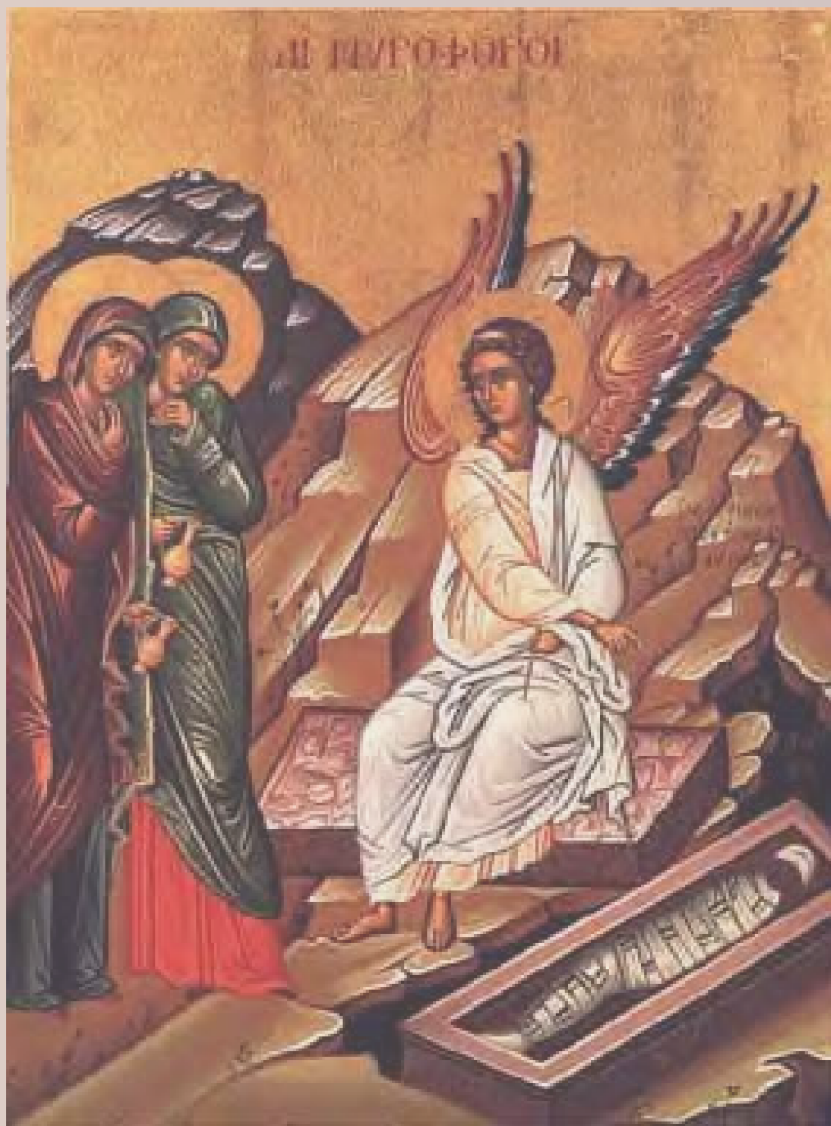


# Sunday of The Myrrh-Bearing Women

April 14, 2024



# Coloring Icons

## THE MYRRHBEARERS



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# Acts

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## 6: 1-7

### **INSTITUTION OF THE SEVEN DEACONS**

IN THOSE DAYS, AS THE NUMBER OF DISCIPLES GREW, THE HELLENISTS MADE A COMPLAINT AGAINST THE HEBREWS, ASSERTING THAT THEIR OWN WIDOWS WERE BEING NEGLECTED IN THE DAILY DISTRIBUTION OF FOOD. AND SO THE TWELVE CALLED TOGETHER THE ENTIRE COMMUNITY OF DISCIPLES AND SAID, "IT IS NOT RIGHT FOR US TO NEGLECT THE WORD OF GOD IN ORDER TO WAIT ON TABLES. THEREFORE, BRETHERN, WE DIRECT YOU TO SELECT FROM AMONG YOU SEVEN MEN OF GOOD REPUTATION, MEN FILLED WITH THE SPIRIT AND WITH WISDOM, TO WHOM WE MAY ASSIGN THIS TASK. WE WILL THEN BE ABLE TO DEVOTE OURSELVES TO PRAYER AND TO THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD." THE ENTIRE COMMUNITY FOUND THIS PROPOSAL TO BE ACCEPTABLE, AND THEY CHOSE STEPHEN, A MAN FULL OF FAITH AND THE HOLY SPIRIT, TOGETHER WITH PHILIP, PROCHORUS, NICANOR, TIMON, PARMENAS, AND NICHOLAS OF ANTIOCH WHO WAS A CONVERT TO JUDAISM. THEY THEN PRESENTED THESE MEN TO THE APOSTLES, WHO PRAYED AND LAID HANDS ON THEM.

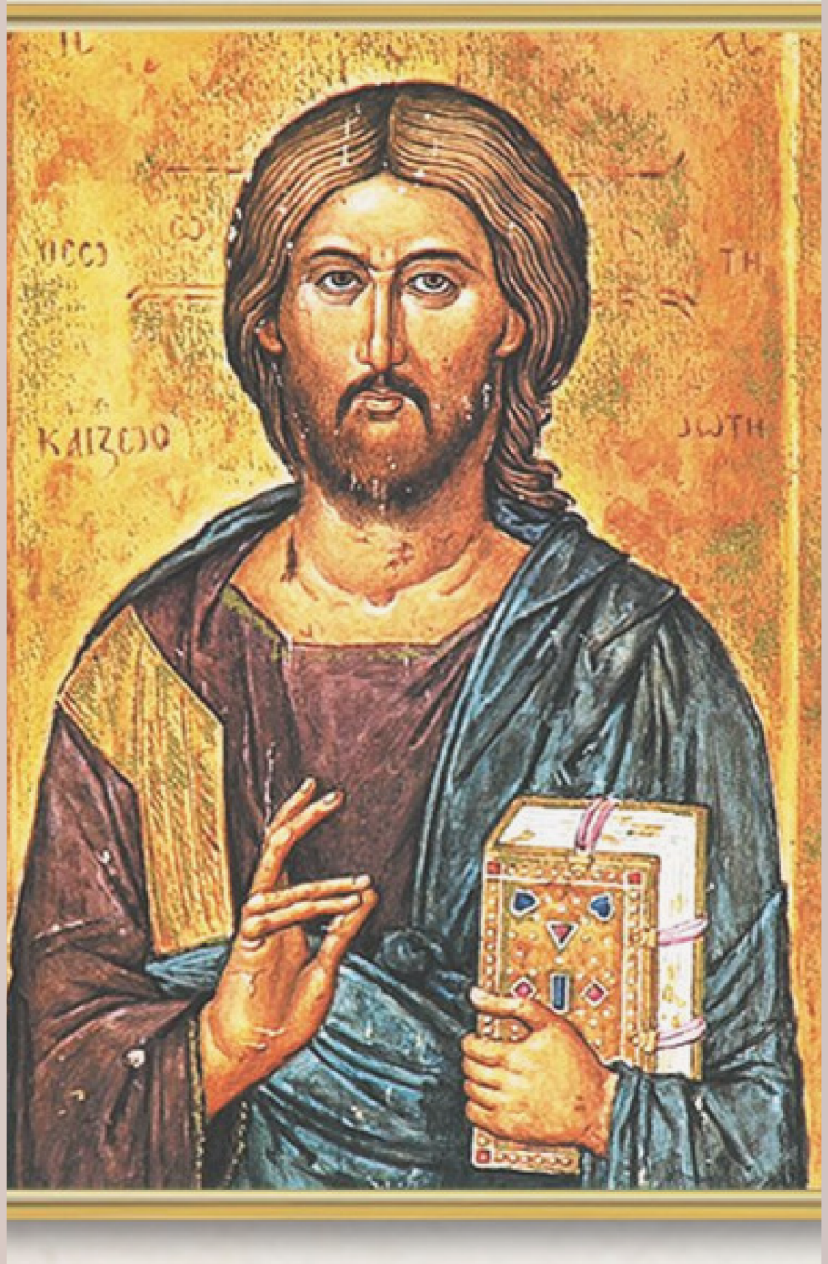
THE WORD OF GOD CONTINUED TO SPREAD EVER MORE WIDELY. THE NUMBER OF THE DISCIPLES IN JERUSALEM INCREASED GREATLY, AND A LARGE NUMBER OF PRIESTS BECAME OBEDIENT TO THE FAITH.

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# Mark 15: 43-16:8

Joseph of Arimathea, a respected member of the council, who was also awaiting the kingdom of God, boldly went to Pilate and requested the body of Jesus. Pilate was surprised to hear that Jesus was already dead, and he summoned the centurion to ascertain that Jesus had indeed died. When he learned from the centurion that such was the case, he turned over the body to Joseph.

Having purchased a linen shroud, he lowered Jesus from the cross, wrapped him in the shroud, and laid him in a tomb that had been hewn out of rock. He then rolled a stone against the entrance of the tomb. Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of Joseph saw where the body was buried.



## **Jesus Is Raised from the Dead.**

When the Sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome purchased aromatic spices so that they might go and anoint Jesus. And very early on the first day of the week, just after sunrise, they went to the tomb.

They had been asking each other, "Who will roll back the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?" But when they looked up, they observed that the stone, which was extremely large, had already been rolled back. On entering the tomb, they saw a young man arrayed in a white robe sitting on the right hand side, and they were stunned.

He said to them, "Do not be alarmed. You are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised. He is not here. See the place where they laid him. But go forth and tell his disciples and Peter: 'He is going ahead of you to Galilee. There you will see him just as he told you.'" Then the women emerged from the tomb and fled, overcome with trembling and amazement. They said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

# Caught you Listening

## ○ Gospel: Mark 15:43-16:8

Use your math skills to decode what the Angel said to the women.

A = 4   E = 9   H = 14   I = 0   N = 12   R = 5   S = 17

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12+2   6+3   7+7   3+1   18-1   3+2   3-3   20-3   4+5   16-4

Notes

# Sunday Of The Myrrh Bearers Word Search Puzzle

Words run horizontally, vertically, diagonally & even backwards  
Find words as fast as possible to win.

J	F	O	U	P	R	M	T	B	S	R	E
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ANGEL DEATH STEPHEN INSTITUTION FOLLOWED DEACONS  
CONVERT OBEDIENT

<https://www.proprofsgames.com/word-search/>

# Prayer before Communion

O LORD, I BELIEVE AND PROFESS THAT YOU ARE TRULY CHRIST, THE SON OF THE LIVING GOD, WHO CAME INTO THE WORLD TO SAVE SINNERS OF WHOM I AM THE FIRST.

ACCEPT ME TODAY AS A PARTAKER OF YOUR MYSTICAL SUPPER, O SON OF GOD, FOR I WILL NOT REVEAL YOUR MYSTERY TO YOUR ENEMIES, NOR WILL I GIVE YOU A KISS AS DID JUDAS, BUT LIKE THE THIEF I PROFESS YOU: REMEMBER ME, O LORD, WHEN YOU COME IN YOUR KINGDOM.

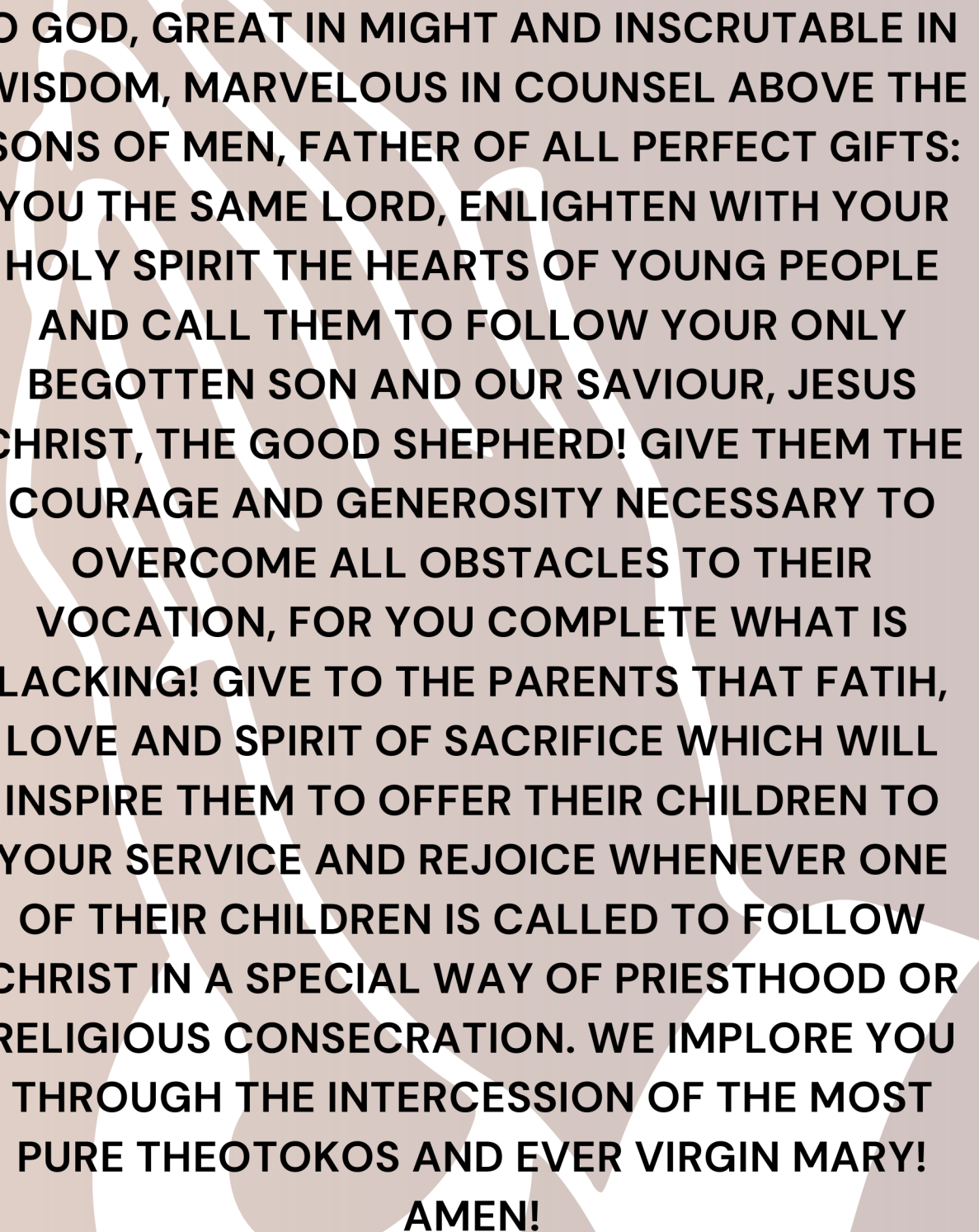
REMEMBER ME, O MASTER, WHEN YOU COME IN YOUR KINGDOM.

REMEMBER ME, O HOLY ONE, WHEN YOU COME IN YOUR KINGDOM.

MAY THE PARTAKING OF YOUR HOLY MYSTERIES, O LORD, BE NOT FOR MY JUDGMENT OR CONDEMNATION BUT FOR THE HEALING OF SOUL AND BODY.

O LORD, I ALSO BELIEVE AND PROFESS THAT THIS, WHICH I AM ABOUT TO RECEIVE, IS TRULY YOUR MOST PRECIOUS BODY AND YOUR LIFE-GIVING BLOOD, WHICH, I PRAY, MAKE ME WORTHY TO RECEIVE FOR THE REMISSION OF ALL MY SINS AND FOR LIFE EVERLASTING. AMEN. O GOD, BE MERCIFUL TO ME, A SINNER. O GOD, CLEANSE ME OF MY SINS AND HAVE MERCY ON ME. O LORD, FORGIVE ME FOR I HAVE SINNED WITHOUT NUMBER.

# Prayer for Vocations



**O GOD, GREAT IN MIGHT AND INSCRUTABLE IN WISDOM, MARVELOUS IN COUNSEL ABOVE THE SONS OF MEN, FATHER OF ALL PERFECT GIFTS: YOU THE SAME LORD, ENLIGHTEN WITH YOUR HOLY SPIRIT THE HEARTS OF YOUNG PEOPLE AND CALL THEM TO FOLLOW YOUR ONLY BEGOTTEN SON AND OUR SAVIOUR, JESUS CHRIST, THE GOOD SHEPHERD! GIVE THEM THE COURAGE AND GENEROSITY NECESSARY TO OVERCOME ALL OBSTACLES TO THEIR VOCATION, FOR YOU COMPLETE WHAT IS LACKING! GIVE TO THE PARENTS THAT FAITH, LOVE AND SPIRIT OF SACRIFICE WHICH WILL INSPIRE THEM TO OFFER THEIR CHILDREN TO YOUR SERVICE AND REJOICE WHENEVER ONE OF THEIR CHILDREN IS CALLED TO FOLLOW CHRIST IN A SPECIAL WAY OF PRIESTHOOD OR RELIGIOUS CONSECRATION. WE IMPLORE YOU THROUGH THE INTERCESSION OF THE MOST PURE THEOTOKOS AND EVER VIRGIN MARY!**

**AMEN!**