

Supplemental Material - Praxis Session Six – Ages 4 -8

Sundays of the Pentecostarion

Your family can choose to decorate the eggs in any way that you choose. There are some suggestions for symbols and colors below, but you might also want to write the names of the people who are commemorated, simply number the eggs, sketch a pysanky design, etc.

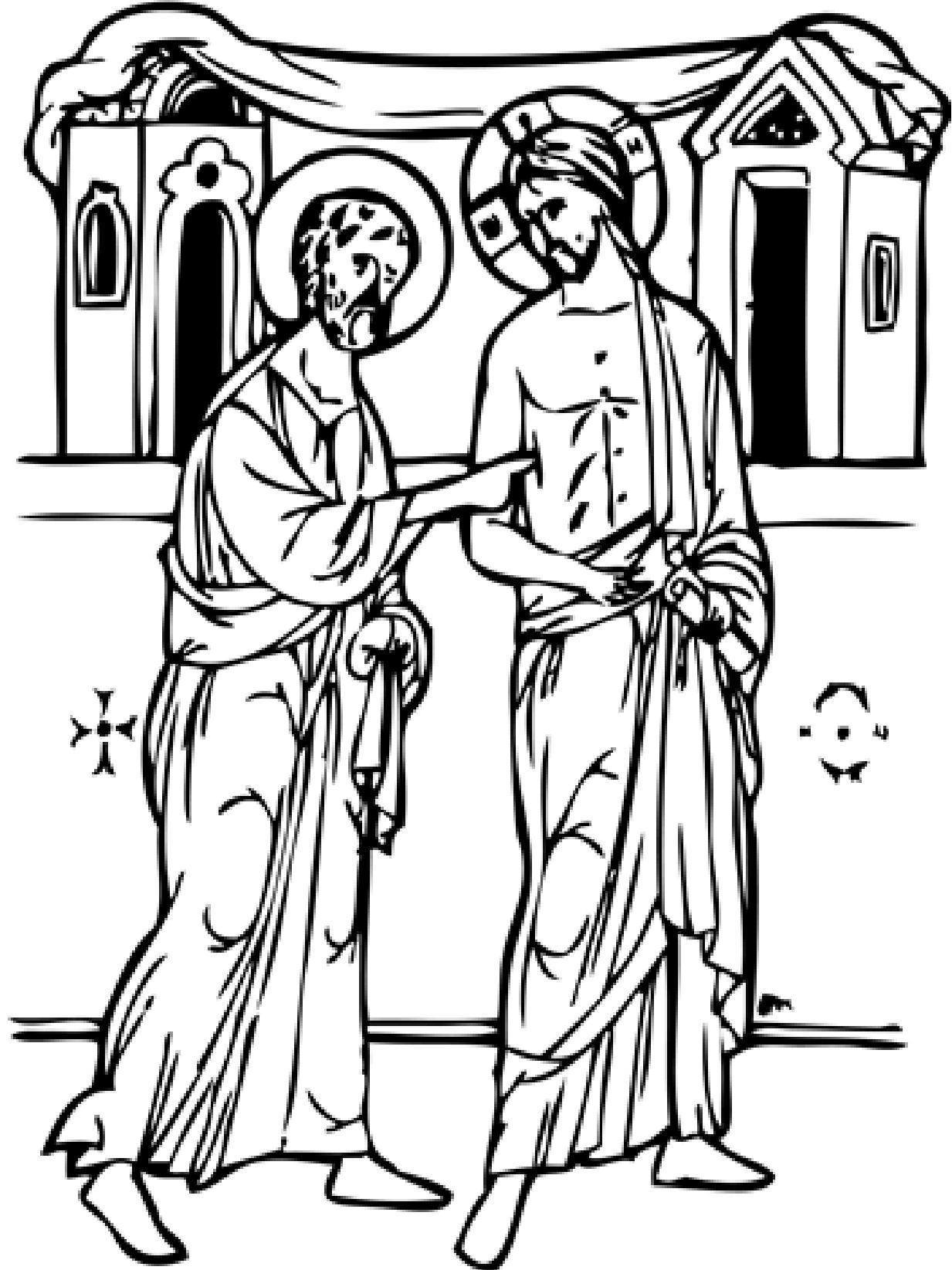
Sunday of Pascha:	Suggested Symbols/colors:
<p>On the Second Sunday of Pascha we remember the Apostle Thomas. Thomas was not in the room when Jesus first came to visit His Apostles after the Resurrection. When he came back, his friends told Thomas that Jesus had been there. Thomas couldn't believe it! He said he wouldn't believe it was Jesus until he saw his wounds with his own eyes. Jesus came to visit them again and showed them to Jesus. Thomas realized this was really Jesus in front of him and said, "My Lord and My God!"</p> <p style="text-align: center;">John 20:19-31</p>	<p>-A cross for faith because Jesus told Thomas, "<i>Thomas, because you have seen Me, you have believed. Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed.</i>"</p> <p>-Red because Thomas would not believe until he saw Jesus's wounds.</p>
<p>On the Third Sunday of Pascha we remember the Myrrh-bearing Women. Mary the Mother of God, Mary Magdalene, and several other women were the first to learn about Jesus's Resurrection. Very early in the morning they went to the tomb to anoint Jesus's body with sweet smelling oil called myrrh. The women saw that the stone the sealed Jesus's tomb had been moved and an angel told them that Christ is Risen!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Mark 15:43 - 16:8</p>	<p>-Yellow for the sweet smelling myrrh the women brought to the tomb</p>
<p>On the Fourth Sunday of Pascha we remember Jesus healing a man who had been paralyzed, meaning he couldn't walk. The man was waiting for almost 40 years near a special pool because every so often an angel would come and move the water. The first person to touch the water would be healed. But because the man couldn't walk and he had no one to help him, he never made it to the water in time. Jesus healed the man showing that if we believe in God, anything is possible, even if we have to wait a long time.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">John 5:1-15</p>	<p>-Brown because in the icon for this Sunday, the man is often shown carrying the wooden frame bed he had been lying on. Jesus showed the man that he had been healed by telling to get up and carry his bed.</p>

Sunday of Pascha:	Suggested Symbols/colors:
<p>On the Fifth Sunday of Pascha we remember the Samaritan Woman at the well. Jesus talks to the woman and at first she does not know that He is Jesus. As they talk, she realizes that it really was Jesus in front of her. We remember her on this day for her faith and because she spread the news to many other people.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">John 4:5-52</p>	<p>-Blue for the water in the well. Jesus tells the woman that He will give “living water” to the people who believe in Him and follow Him. Drinking water from the well will help us for a very short time, but following Jesus will give us eternal life in Heaven with Him.</p>
<p>On the Sixth Sunday of Pascha we remember a man who was born blind. Jesus spit on the ground and mixed it with the dirt to make clay. He anointed the man’s eyes with it and told the man to go to a special pool to wash his face. After doing what Jesus said, the man was able to see! The man was healed because he followed Jesus’s instructions.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">John 9:1-38</p>	<p>-Gray for the clay that Jesus used to anoint the man’s eyes</p>
<p>On the Seventh Sunday of Pascha we remember the Holy Fathers at the First Council of Nicea. After Jesus ascended to Heaven, not everyone agreed about how to worship God. Holy men who had studied the faith came together to decide which were the right ways. They wrote the Creed, which was finished at the second council, to say exactly what Orthodox Christians believe.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">John 17:1-13</p>	<p>-Black for the written words that tell us about our faith.</p>
<p>On the Eighth Sunday of Pascha we celebrate Pentecost. After Jesus had ascended to Heaven, the Apostles tried to figure out what to do next. On the day of Pentecost, 50 days after Pascha, they were all together in Jerusalem. Suddenly there was a sound of whooshing wind and flames of fire were in the air above the apostle’s heads. This was the Holy Spirit! The Apostles went out into the city of Jerusalem to tell people about Jesus and the resurrection. No matter what language people understood, the Holy Spirit helped them to understand what the Apostles were saying. Over three thousand people joined the church on that day!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">John 7:37-52, 8:12 (Acts 2:1-21 describes the event)</p>	<p>-Green! This is the festal color of the church for the day of Pentecost. The priest and altar servers wear green vestments and the church is decorated with branches with green leaves.</p>

Sunday of Pascha:	Suggested Symbols/Colors:
<p>On the First Sunday after Pentecost we remember all of the Saints. We know a lot about the lives of some saints and there are many saints that only God knows about. People have become saints for many different reasons, but all of them have become saints through the grace of the Holy Spirit.</p> <p>John 10:32-22, 37-38; 19:27-30</p>	<p>-Gold for the color of a saint's halo in our icons.</p>
<p>On the Second Sunday after Pentecost we remember the saints who lived in the lands of Rus' Ukraine, or who travelled there.</p> <p>Matthew 4:25- 5:12</p>	<p>-Ideas include gold for the color of a saint's halo with the Cyrillic abbreviation for Saint or 'Holy'-CB</p>

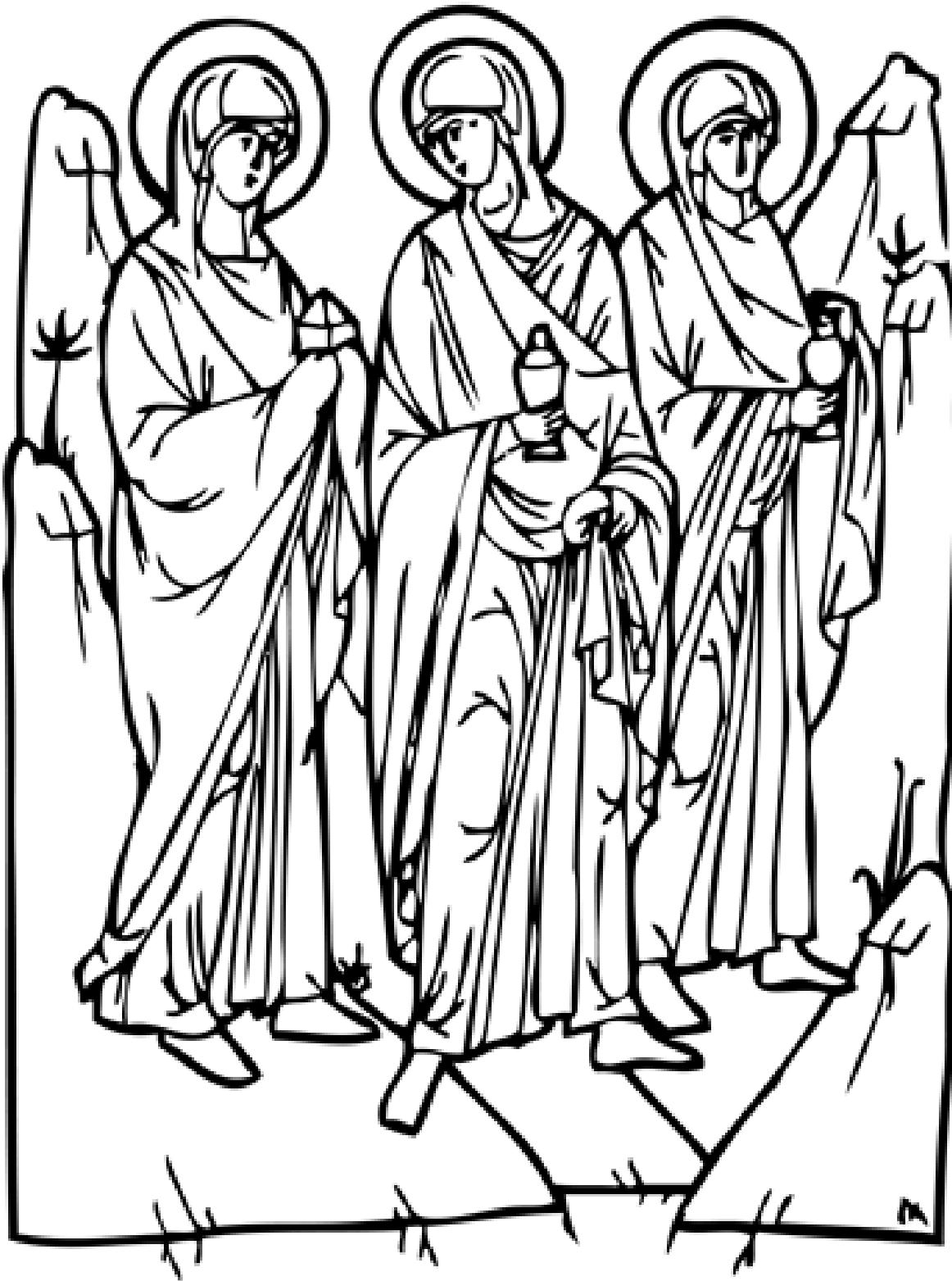
Second Sunday of Pascha

THE DOUBTING THOMAS



Third Sunday of Lent

THE MYRRHBEARERS



Fourth Sunday of Lent

HEALING OF THE PARALYTIC

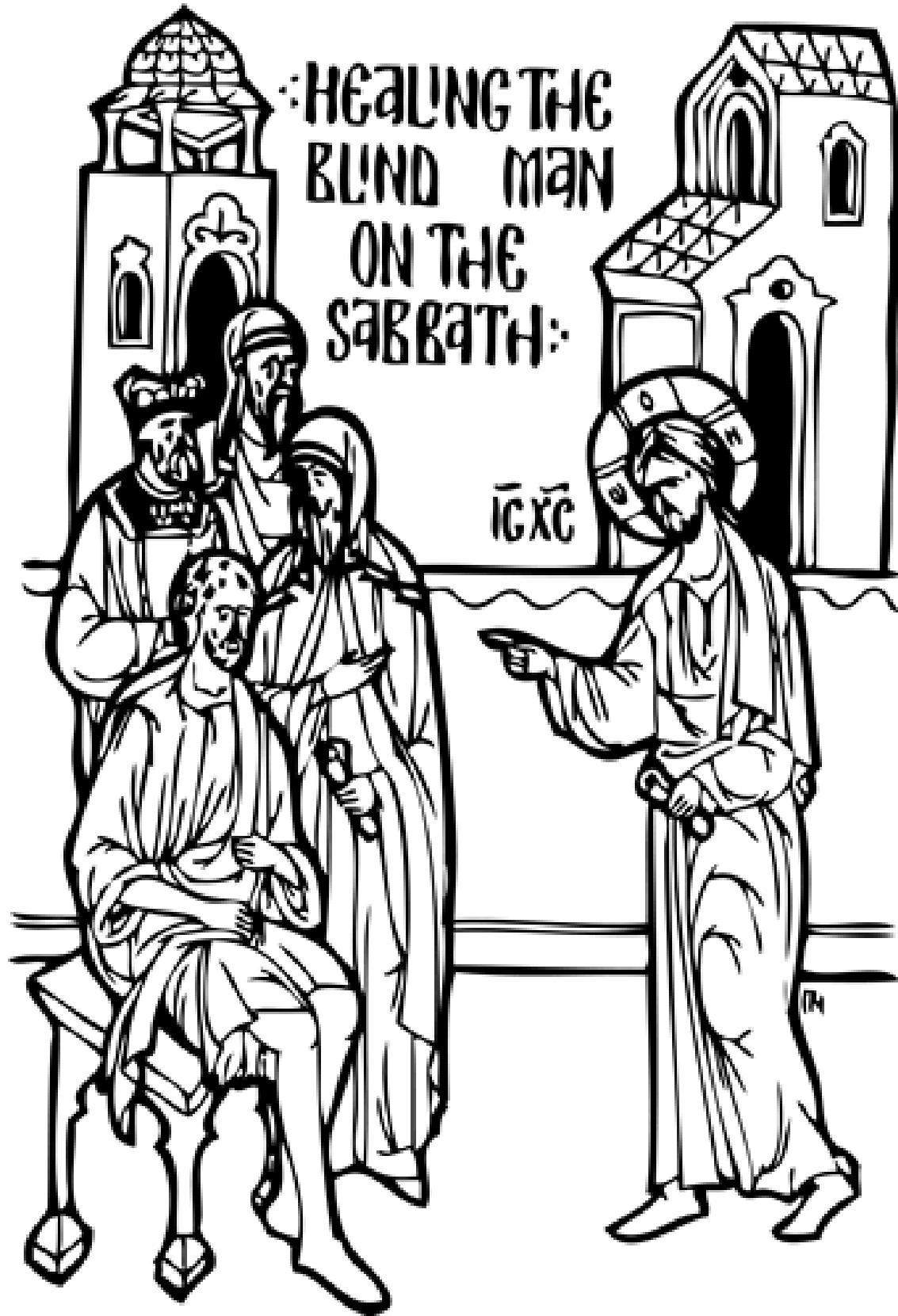


Fifth Sunday of Lent

•THE SAMARITAN WOMAN•



Sixth Sunday of Pascha



Seventh Sunday of Pascha

•THE HOLY FATHERS•



Holy Pentecost



Sunday of All Saints



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Resurrection Icon

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