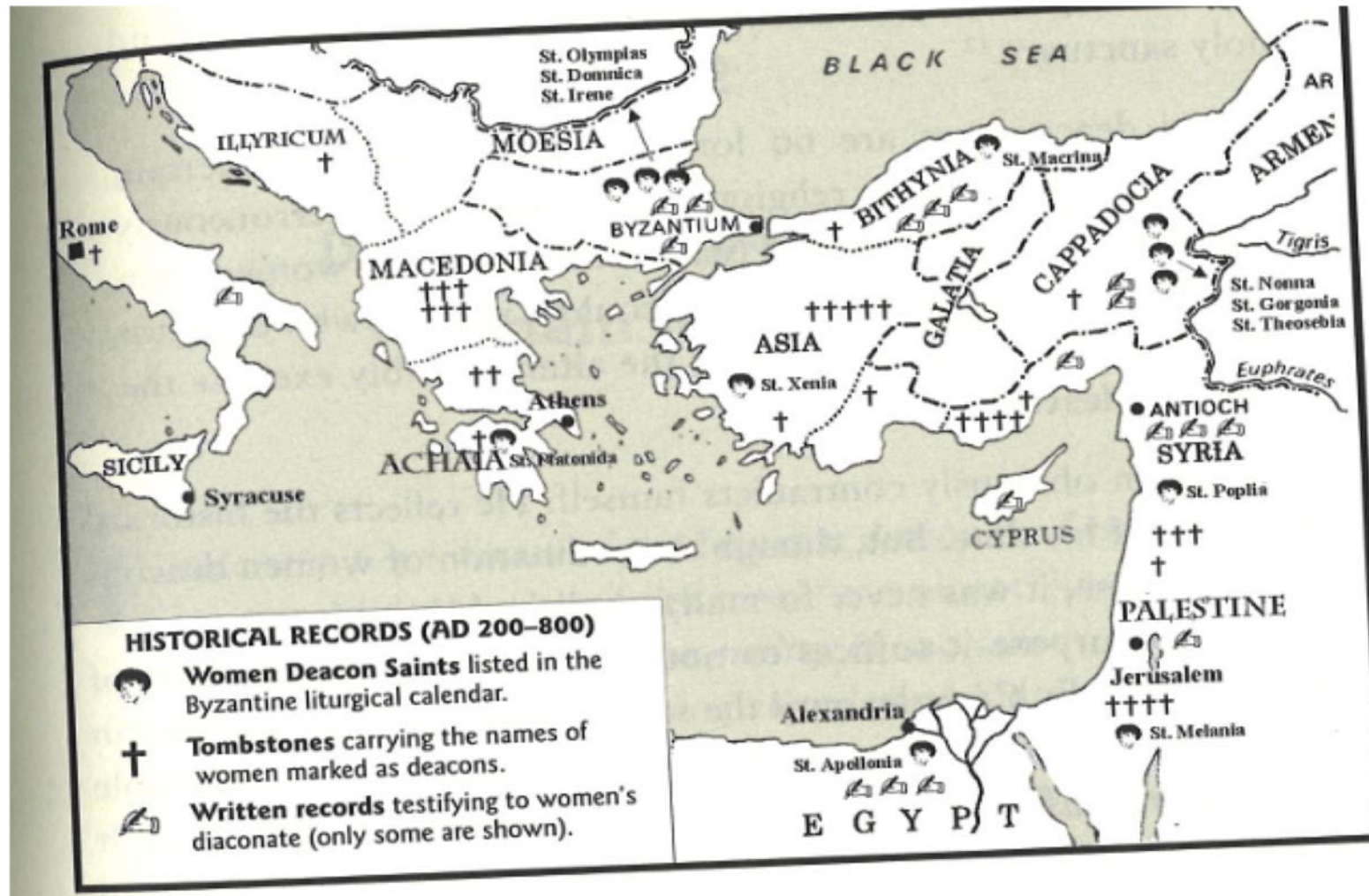


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Fractio Panis, the Catacombs of Priscilla, Rome, 2nd c. AD



Cerula, catacombs of San Gennaro, Naples, 5th-6th c. AD



Cerula and Paul, catacombs of San Gennaro, Naples



Mary Magdalene – *Apostolorum Apostola*, 12th -14th cen.



Figure 3.2 *Mary Magdalene, apostolorum apostola*, from Gospel Book of Henry the Lion, Wolfenbüttel: Herzog August Bibliothek, MS Guelf. Noviss. 2°; photo reproduced by permission of the Herzog August Bibliothek, Wolfenbüttel.

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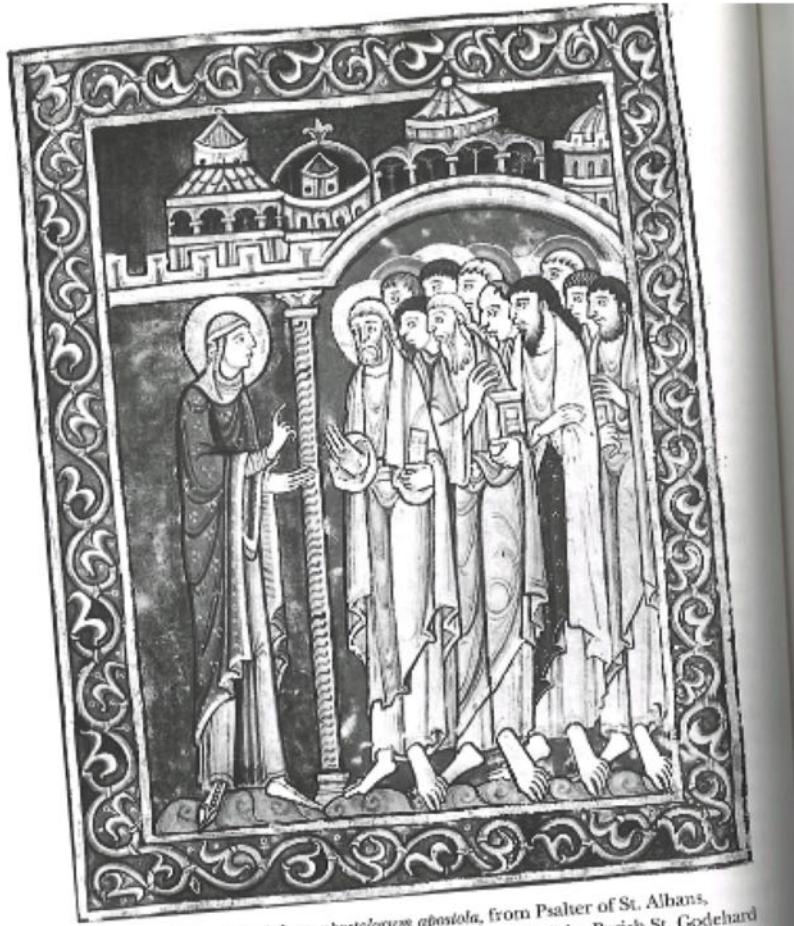


Figure 3-1 *Mary Magdalene, apostolorum apostola*, from Psalter of St. Albans, Hildesheim: Dombibliothek, MS St. Cod. 1 (property of the Parish St. Codehard Hildesheim); photo reproduced by permission of the Dombibliothek, Hildesheim.



Figure 3-3 *Mary Magdalene, apostolorum apostola*, from Queen Mary Psalter, London: British Library, MS K22827; photo reproduced by permission of the British Library.

Mary Magdalene – missionary in southern Gaul

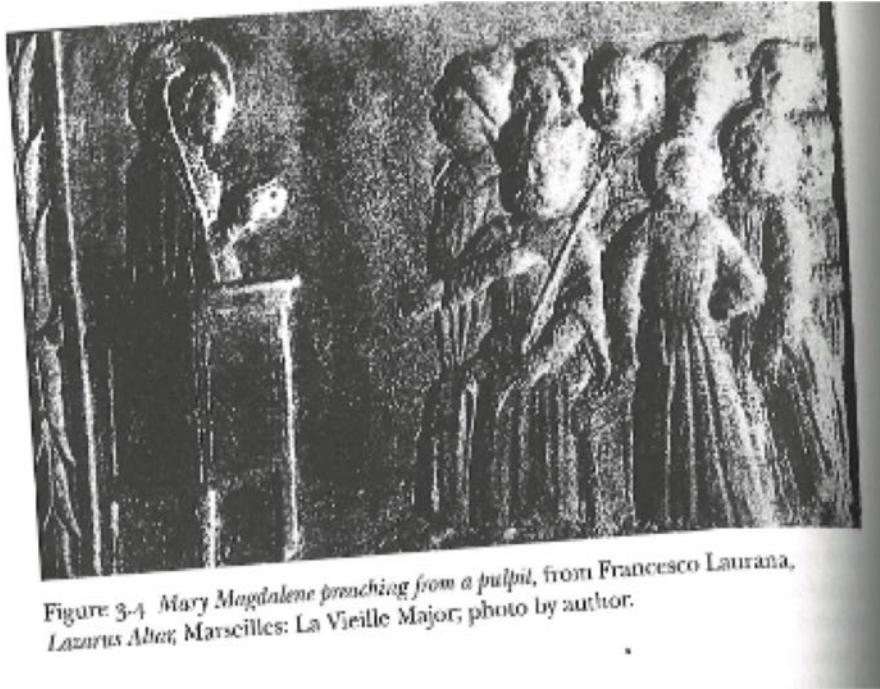


Figure 3-4 *Mary Magdalene preaching from a pulpit*, from Francesco Laurana, *Lazarus Altar*, Marseilles: La Vieille Major; photo by author.



Figure 3-7 *Mary Magdalene destroys the pagan idols*, from *Leggendario Ungherese* (Hungarian Legendary), Vatican City: Biblioteca Apostolica Vaticana, MS Vat. lat. 8541; photo reproduced by permission of the Biblioteca Apostolica Vaticana.

Mary Magdalene wearing the triple crown, 14th c.



Figure 3-5 *Mary Magdalene wearing the triple crown*, from London: British Library, MS Add. 15682; photo reproduced by permission of the British Library.

William Blake - water color drawings illustrating the Bible (c.1780-1824)



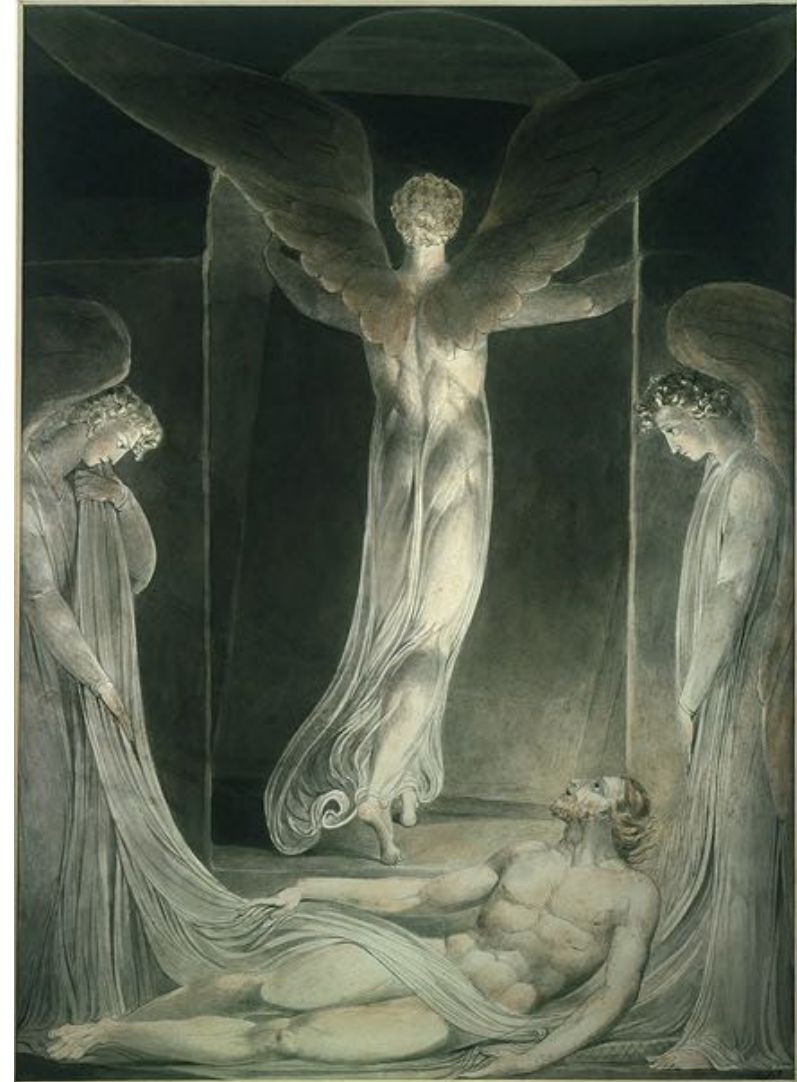
“Mary Magdalene at the Sepulchre”, c.1805

“Jesus is the only God ...
and so am I, and so are
you.” – William Blake

William Blake - water color drawings illustrating the Bible (c.1780-1824)



Christ in the Sepulchre guarded by angels, c.1805



Angel rolling the stone away from the Sepulchre, c.1805

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The Resurrection, c.1805



The Ascension, c.1803-05