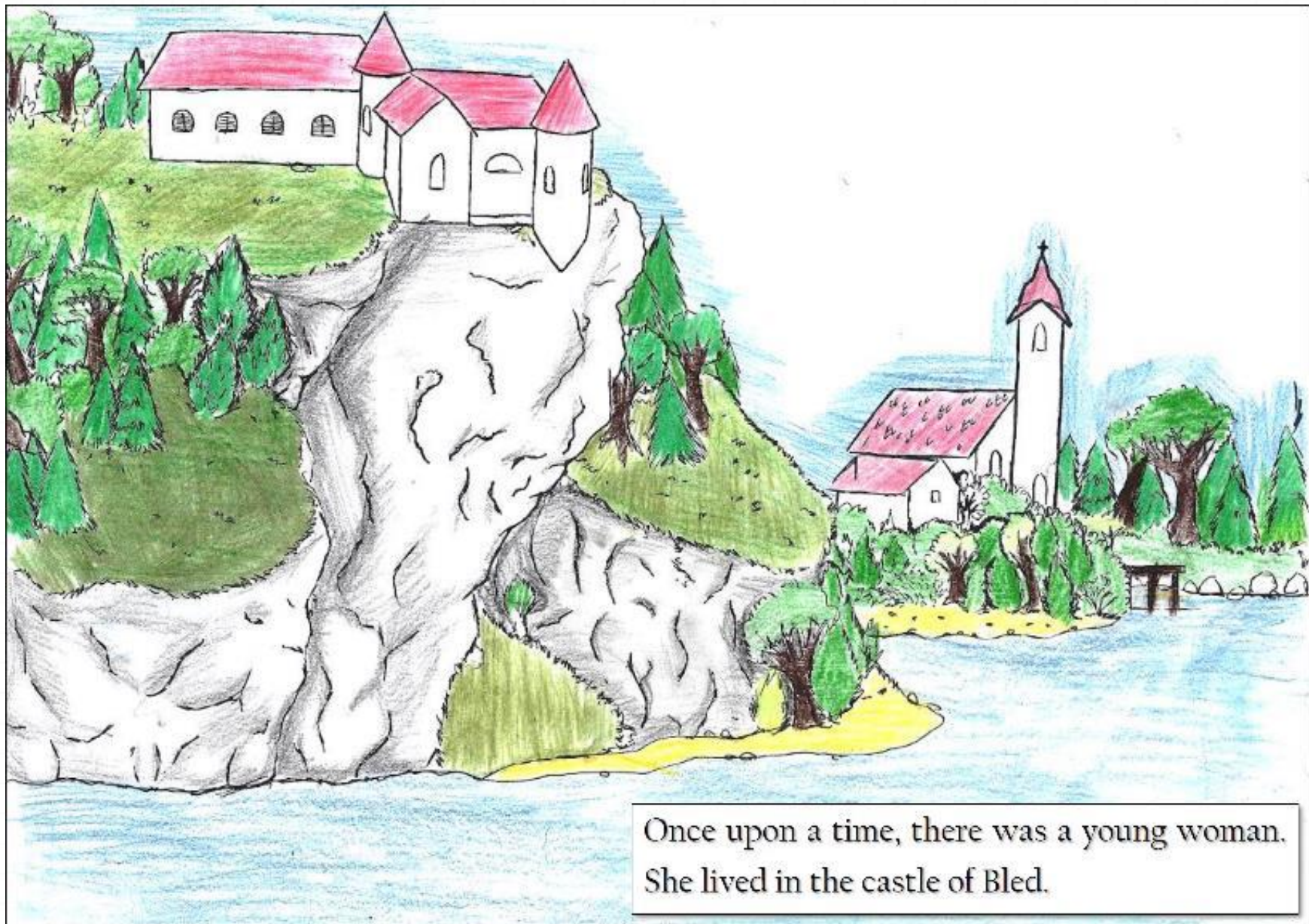


# THE LEGEND OF THE SUNKEN BELL

**Slo**venian legend

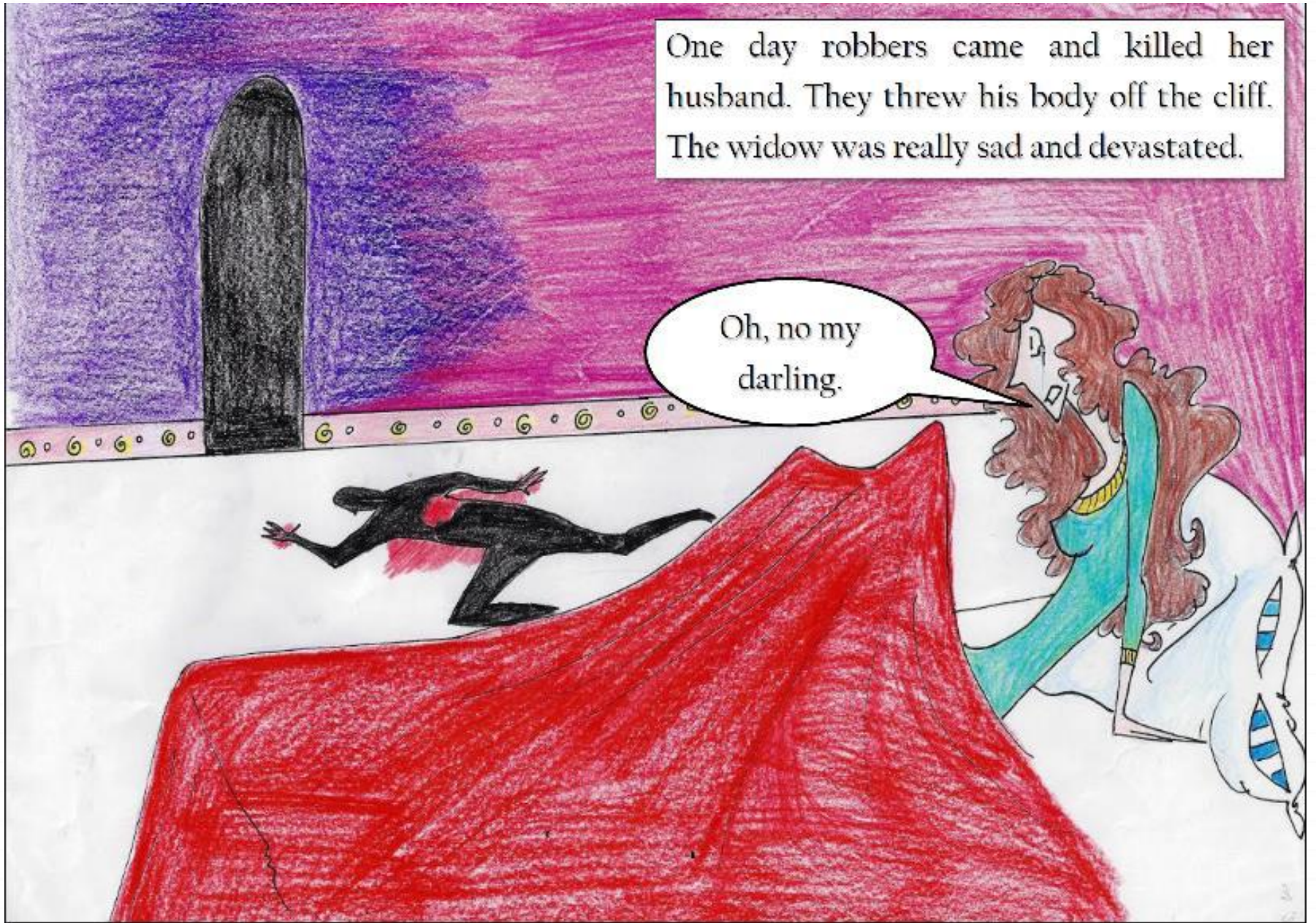


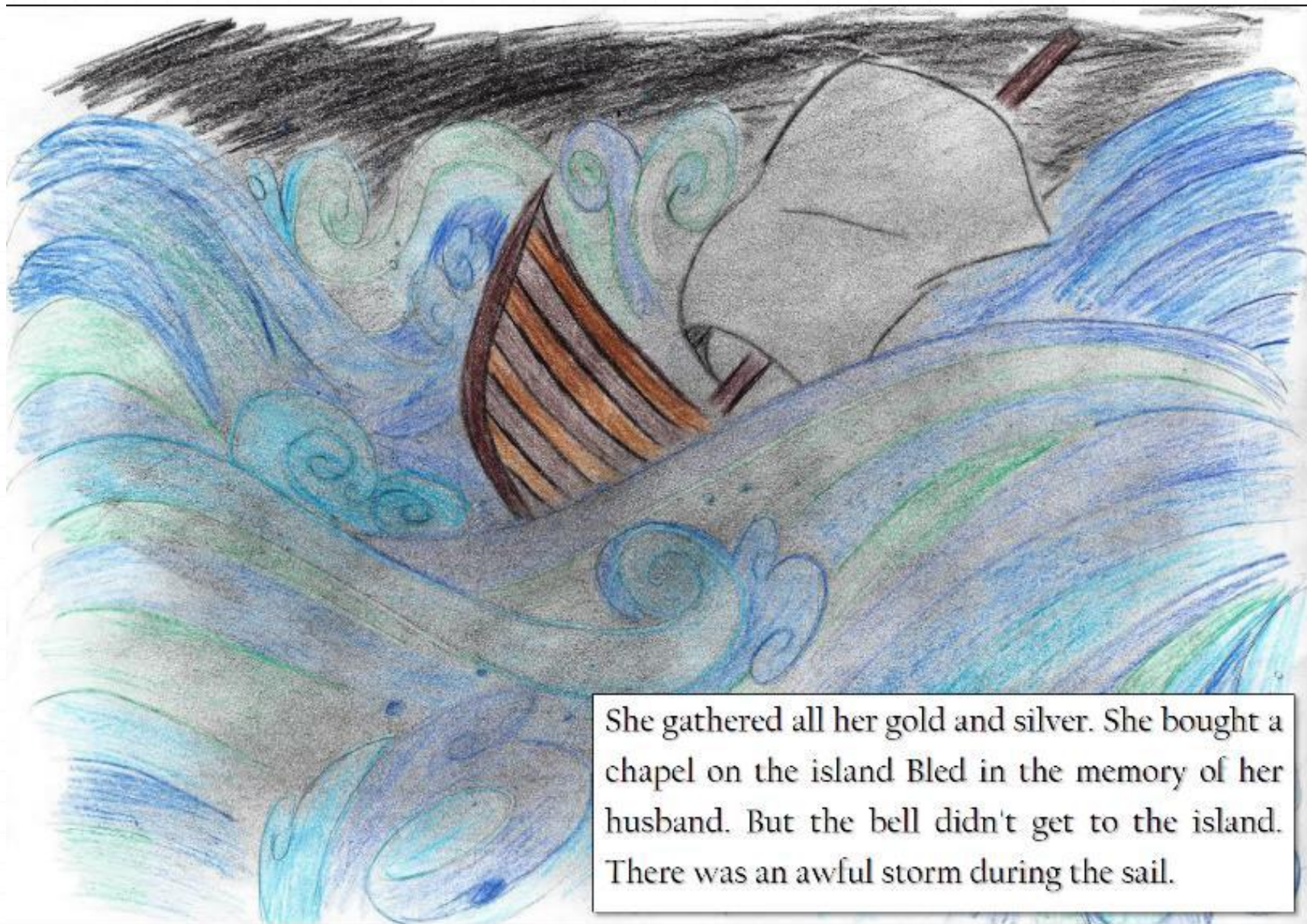


Once upon a time, there was a young woman.  
She lived in the castle of Bled.

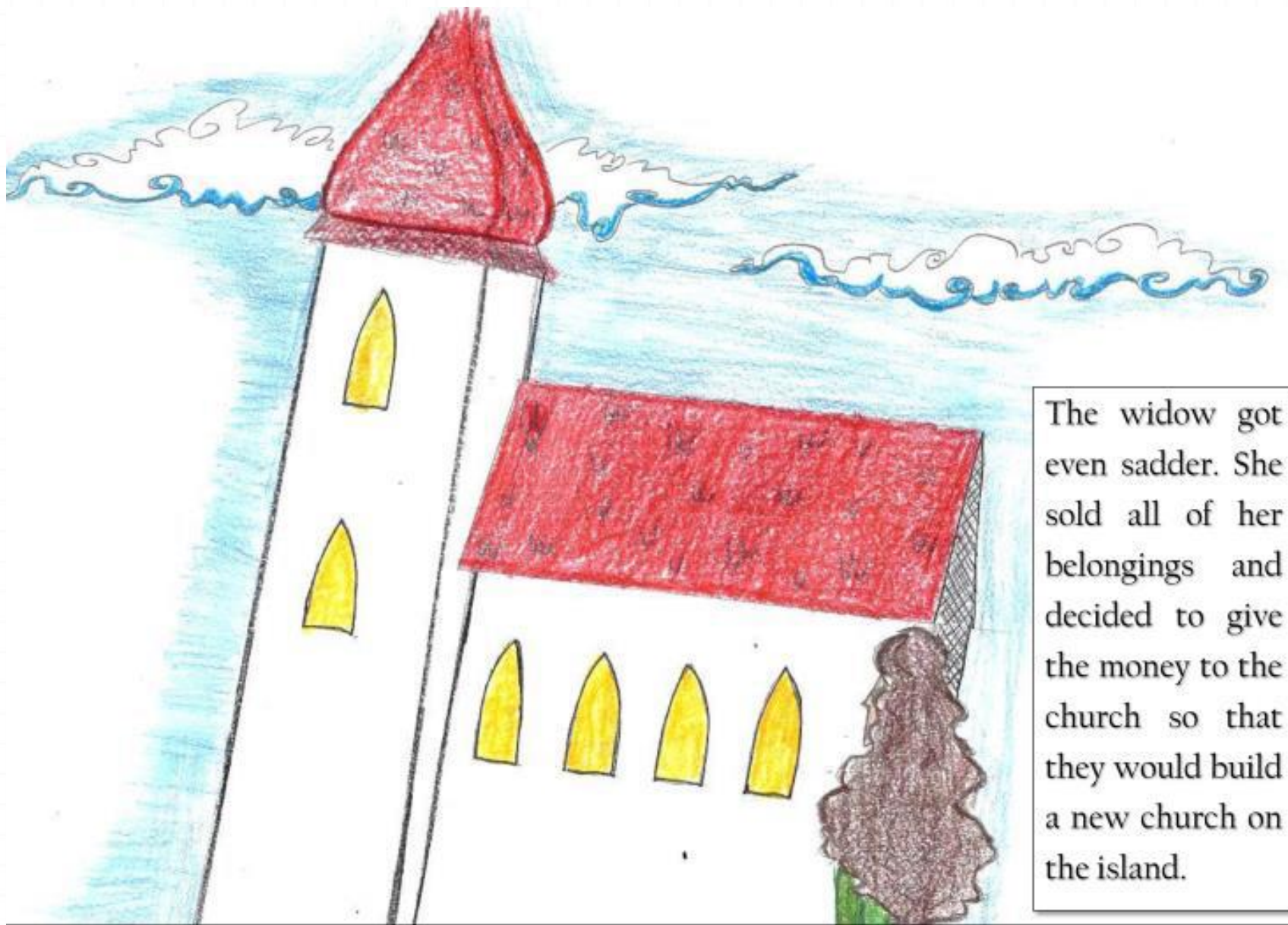
One day robbers came and killed her husband. They threw his body off the cliff. The widow was really sad and devastated.

Oh, no my darling.



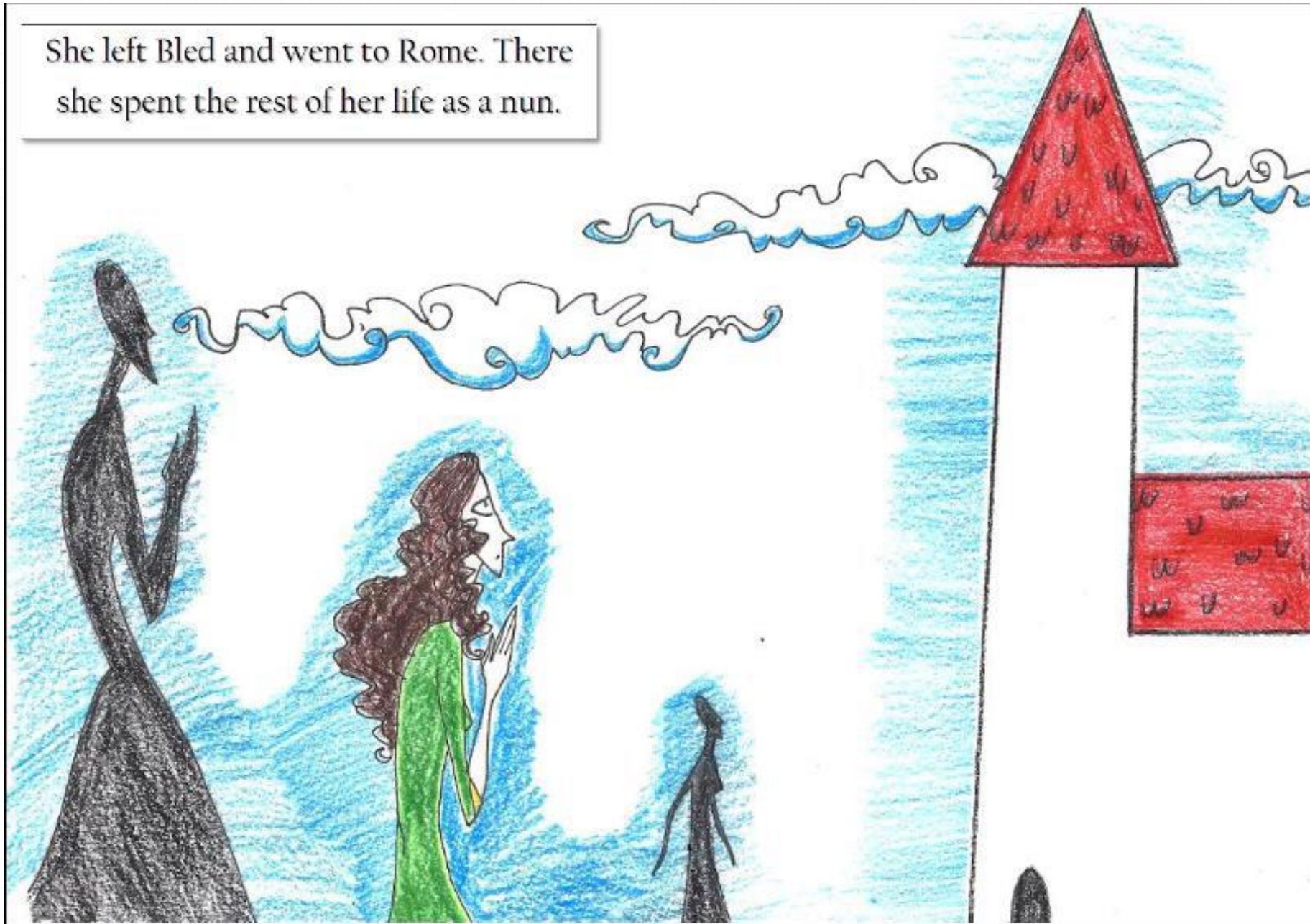


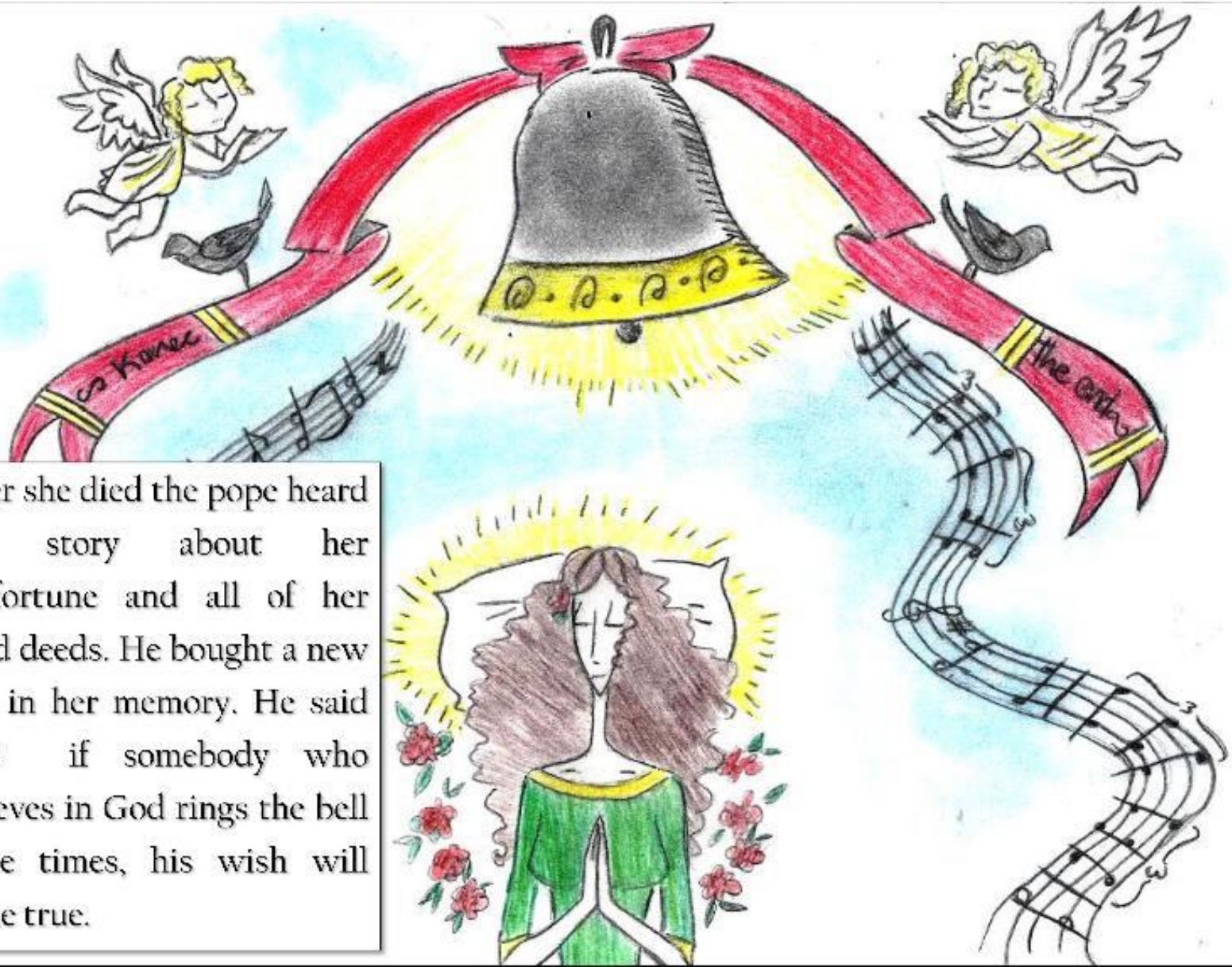
She gathered all her gold and silver. She bought a chapel on the island Bled in the memory of her husband. But the bell didn't get to the island. There was an awful storm during the sail.



The widow got even sadder. She sold all of her belongings and decided to give the money to the church so that they would build a new church on the island.

She left Bled and went to Rome. There she spent the rest of her life as a nun.





After she died the pope heard the story about her misfortune and all of her good deeds. He bought a new bell in her memory. He said that if somebody who believes in God rings the bell three times, his wish will come true.

# TODAY

- x Christmas time**
- x perform the legend**
- x lift a bell from a lake**
- x wishing bell**



**Pletnar (man)**

**Pletna (boat)**