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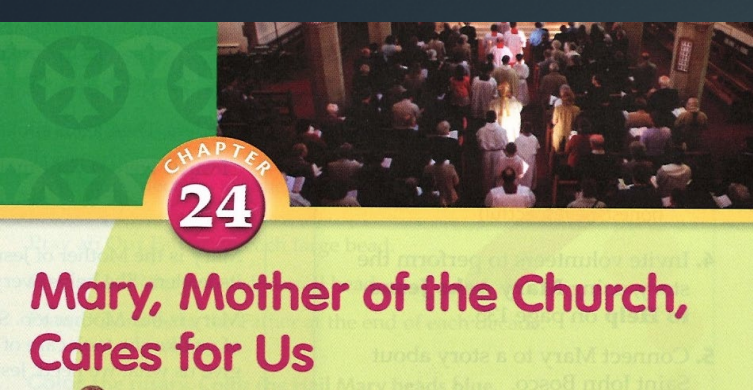
## Mary, Mother of the Church, Cares for Us

### Key Words

Mother  
HELP  
Church



# Your ,Mom



Activity:  
I can \_\_\_\_\_



Hail Mary  
Ave, Ave, Maria!

Gifted to Help

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What do I see at  
weddings?

**Joy**  
**Guests**  
**Food**  
**Music**



Names



Actions



Emotions



Words of Jesus



Words of Mary



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### Reading



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## Mary Is the Mother of the Church and Our Mother

**Reader:** Mary and the apostle Jesus loved stood near his cross.  
Then Jesus spoke to his mother.

**Jesus:** Here is your son.

**Reader:** Then Jesus spoke to his apostle.

**Jesus:** Here is your mother.

adapted from John 19:25-27

Mary is the Mother of Jesus' family, the Church. She watches over its leaders. She helps everyone in the Church know and love Jesus.

Mary is our Mother too. She watches over us with love. She takes care of us like she took care of the people at the wedding. She asks Jesus to give us what we need. Jesus listens to Mary.

### A Moment with Jesus

Imagine you are standing with Mary at the foot of the cross. Jesus looks down at you and says, "Here is your mother." How wonderful! You have a heavenly mother to watch over, guide, and pray for you. Thank Jesus for this very special gift.



Feelings of Mary?

Feelings of John?



Last words of Jesus to Mary,  
to John?

**Mary is Mother of all.  
Mother of the Church.  
to help all go to Jesus!**

## We Pray the Rosary

The Church honors Mary in prayer. A favorite prayer to Mary is the Rosary. Answer the questions below and then see how to pray the Rosary.

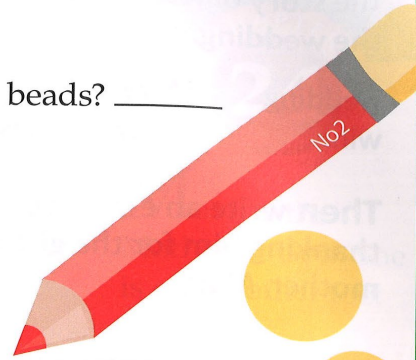
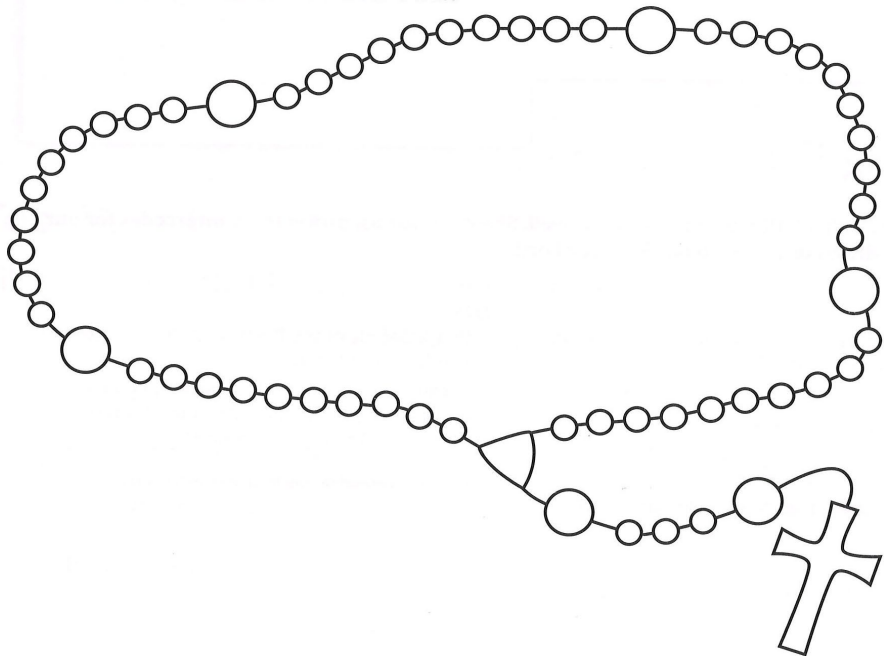
How many beads are in each group of small beads? \_\_\_\_\_  
These groups are called decades.  
How many decades are there? \_\_\_\_\_

Pray an Our Father on each large bead.

Pray a Hail Mary on each small bead.

Pray a Glory Be to the Father at the end of each decade.

**Color** the rosary. Color the Hail Mary beads blue.  
Color the Our Father beads red.



Answer the questions:

What is the Rosary for you?

For the Family? Where do you see it?

Activity: Color the Rosary

**Use** these words to tell a friend the story of Jesus' miracle at the wedding.

wedding	Mary	Jesus
wine	water	best

**Then** write an e-mail to Jesus, thanking him for the gift of his mother, Mary.

To: Jesus@email.com

Subject: A Thank-You Note to Jesus

## We Remember

Who is the Mother of the Church?

Mary is the Mother of the Church.

## We Respond

Mary, Mother of the Church and our Mother, pray for us.

**Memorize**

Mary inspires men and women to do good to the Church

Dream of St. John Bosco ( Johnny ) at the age of nine

<https://youtu.be/mud2EiRzDBo>

Start at :40





# Witness and Share

Listen to each faith statement. Think about what you believe.

## My Way to Faith

- I pray the Rosary to honor Mary.
- I ask Mary to help me be kind.
- I thank Jesus for giving us Mary to be our heavenly Mother.



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Mary Mother of the Church,  
Pray for us.....



## Share Your Faith

Tell Mary what is in your heart.

Dear Mary,

Invite a friend or family member to pray a decade of the Rosary with you.

Mary Mother of the  
Church,  
Pray for us.....



I can make a short prayer to Mary.

Mary, our Mother, pray for us.  
Mary, Helper of those in need...  
Mary, Mother of Jesus,  
Mary, Help of young people.  
Mary, Mother of the Church...

Mary Mother of the  
Church,  
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The End.