May Religion Activity Calendar Grades 2-4						
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday		
Plan a May Crowning ceremony. Make a small crown out of flowers. If you have a statue of Mary at home, place the crown on Mary. If you do not have a statue, you can color this page: https://bit.ly/marycrown2-4	Mary was the mother of Jesus and was also the first disciple, or follower, of Jesus. By learning about Mary, we learn what it means to be a disciple of Jesus. Read one of the Gospels on the attached handout and complete the activity. https://bit.ly/3d0jM8B	As a young child, Mary loved her parents and always tried to do her best. When Mary lived, children helped their families by getting water from a well, cooking or doing laundry. What is one thing you could do to today to help your parents? Do it!	Mary said "yes" when she was asked to be the mother of Jesus. She had faith and trusted God, our Father. Today say "yes" to your mom or dad when they ask you to do something. Have faith and trust they know what is best for you.	Mother's Day is this Sunday. Think of something special you can do for your mom. Also, make your mom a card and write a special note to her.		
The word <i>hail</i> means "hello." When we pray the Hail Mary, we are honoring Mary. Pray the Hail Mary.	Mary and Joseph had been traveling right before Jesus was born on Christmas Day. How do you think Mary felt when Jesus was born? Ask your parents how they felt when you were born!	Today is Our Lady of Fatima's Feast Day. She asked children to pray the Rosary to bring peace to the world. Pray the Rosary. https://bit.ly/howtorosary	Family was very important to Mary. She, Jesus and Joseph loved and cared for one another. Who loves and cares for you? Make a family tree that includes your family and think about the way your family shows their love for each other.	The Holy Family (Jesus, Mary and Joseph) obeyed God the Father and prayed to him. When does your family pray together? How can your family be like the Holy Family? Share your answers with your family.		
The Hail, Holy Queen prayer is a prayer asking Mary for her prayers on our behalf. Pray the Hail, Holy Queen. It can be found here: https://bit.ly/maryprayers	May is the month of Mary and it is also part of spring. In parts of the world some flowers only bloom during spring. Plant a flower or seeds to honor Mary.	There are many beautiful songs to honor Mary. One of them is called Immaculate Mary. Listen to the song: https://bit.ly/immacmary	Today is the Ascension of Jesus. This is the day that Jesus returned to Heaven. Say a prayer for those in Heaven.	The Memorare is a prayer that invites us to ask the Blessed Mother for her assistance and her grace, Pray the Memorare. You can find it here: https://bit.ly/maryprayers		
When Mary's cousin, Elizabeth, was expecting a baby, Mary was expected to go and help her, even though Mary was also expecting a baby. It isn't always easy to think of others. In what ways can you think of others before yourself?	The Angelus is a Catholic devotion traditionally said 3 times a day: at dawn, noon and dusk. Pray The Angelus during one (or all!) of these times today. It can be found here: https://bit.ly/maryprayers	This Sunday is Pentecost Sunday. This is when the Holy Spirit came to the disciples. Wear red in honor of Pentecost Sunday.	Pentecost Sunday reminds us that we are filled with the Holy Spirit. We show the fruits of the Holy Spirit in our lives. There are nine fruits of the Holy Spirit. One of these is self-control. Today, try and practice the fruit of self-control by doing what your parents ask you to do.	Another fruit of the Holy Spirit is joy. How can you practice joy today? Find something joyful to celebrate today and draw or write a story about something that brings you joy.		