Reflection on The Feast of Pentecost.

The Feast of Pentecost brings to a close the season of Easter because the gift of the Spirit is the inevitable outcome of the death and resurrection of Jesus. The Church understood clearly that what happened to Jesus on Easter Sunday was not just an amazing miracle to prove that he really was the Son of God. It was rather the next step in God's desire to heal, once and for all, the relationship between himself and a broken humanity. Now the outpouring of the Spirit of Jesus means that our relationship with God is fundamentally transformed.

So let's celebrate our new life in the Spirit and the birthday of the Church as the new people of God.

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Scripture Readings for 22nd May 2016.
1st Reading: Prov 8:22-31.
Psalm: 8:4-9, R/ v 2.
2nd Reading: Rm 5:1-5.
Gospel: John 16:12-15.

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Weekly Collection -
Sunday 8th May 2016
Envelopes: 248
Amount: €2012.90

Sanctuary Lamp €10 per week

The Parish Office & Shop
Opening Hours;-
Monday - Friday
10.30am - 4.00pm.

PARISH RADIO 104.7FM
10.00AM MASS DAILY

Eucharistic Adoration takes place in our Parish each Tuesday beginning after 10.00am Mass and concluding with Solemn Benediction at 9.00pm.

New Ross Parish Bethany Bereavement Support Group:
Contact No: 087-3846577

Lectio Divina - each Wednesday morning at 10.45am in the Parish Pastoral Centre, Robert St, New Ross.

Legion Of Mary - Weekly Meetings
For details: Contact Des & Marie
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Holy Family Confraternity Brass Band.
The Band are holding a Concert in the Dunbrody Centre, New Ross, on Friday 20th May 2016. The Concert will feature The Templemichael Ceili Band.
Tickets: €5.00. Time: 8.00pm.

Healing Mass
(for families and ancestors)
Date: Friday Night, 20th May 2016.
Venue: Ballykelly Church, New Ross.
Time: 8.00pm.

May, Month of The Rosary.
Each evening, Monday to Friday at 7.00pm, the Rosary is recited in the Irishtown, New Ross for the month of May.

New Ross Parish. Church of St. Mary & St. Michael

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PENTECOST SUNDAY

The Deep End – Catching Fire

Unless the eye catch fire,
The God will not be seen.
Unless the ear catch fire
The God will not be heard.
Unless the tongue catch fire
The God will not be named.
Unless the heart catch fire,
The God will not be loved.
Unless the mind catch fire,
The God will not be known.

From ' PENTECOST' By William Blake

The arrival of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost was by no means a quiet or gentle event. First there was a powerful wind from heaven - so loud it filled not just the room the apostles were in, but the whole house. Tongues of fire came to rest on their heads, and they suddenly began to speak in foreign languages as they were ' filled with the Holy Spirit'. It must have been a chaotic, intense scene.

The Poem ' Pentecost' by 19th century poet William Blake captures some of the power of the scene, with its repetition of the phrase 'catch fire'. When a piece of news or gossip gets around quickly, we say it 'spreads like wildfire'. By its very nature, fire jumps from one things another, burning more intensely the more it spreads.

The symbol of tongues of fire is apt, then. The arrival of the Holy Spirit propels the apostles from the room where they were huddled out into the street. They simply cannot contain themselves as they begin to preach and to spread the Good News far and wide - like wildfire.

Sunday 29th May 2016 is the Feast of Corpus Christi. The annual Procession will take place on the Feast Day, beginning in the Irishtown at 2.30pm. (Full Details of Route inside).

New Ross Parish Community strives to be a welcoming, life-giving PEOPLE, nourished by FAITH, WORSHIP of God and SERVICE of all in the example of Jesus Christ.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK.

Sanctuary Lamp: Blanchfield Family Intentions.

Sat 14	**6.00**	Seamus Burke, Chambersland Anniversary.
Sun 15	**8.00**	
	9.00	Joseph & Ellen Cahill, & Decd Membs of the Cahill & Dooley Families.
	10.00	Deceased Members of The North Family, Abbeyview. Anniversary.
	12.00	Pat O' Brien, Lower Southknock, Month's Mind.
	6.00	Bill & May Coleman, Old Post Office Lane, Anniversary.
Mon 16	**8.00**	Sisters Intentions.
	10.00	Larry Lyons, 5 Longstone Drive, Anniversary.
Tues 17	**8.00**	Patrick Merrigan, 5 The Bungalows, Cross Street, Anniversary.
	10.00	James & Catherine Walsh, & Decd Family Membs, Bewley St, Anniv.
Wed 18	**8.00**	Mass for the People of The Parish.
	10.00	Paddy Power Jnr, JKL Place, Anniversary.
Thurs 19	**8.00**	Special Intention.
	10.00	Thomas Purcell, Kilbrahan, Anniversary.
Fri 20	**8.00**	Patrick O'Connor, Pondfields, Anniversary.
	10.00	James & Elizabeth Fardy, Irishtown, Anniversary.
Sat 21	**8.00**	Kenneth Hennelly, Mountgarrett, 1st Anniversary.
	10.00	New Ross Parish Mass Association.
	6.00	Eamon & Annie Kissane, Priory St, Anniversary.
Sun 22	**8.00**	Michael & Julia Lee, The Bullawn, Anniversary.
	9.00	Bob Quinn, Priory Street, Anniversary.
	10.00	Liam Bruen, Dundalk, Anniversary.
	12.00	Alan Murphy, Bosheen & Crossabeg, Month's Mind.
	6.00	Deceased Members of The Whitty Family, Camblin, Anniversary.

Baptisms: Gearoíd Lee Kennedy-Cullen Irishtown Heights, Alice Rose Goggins The Maudlins.

Recently Deceased: Joe Nowlan, Avoca formerly Michael St, and The Maudlins.
Imelda O'Rourke, Hewitsland, formerly Rathangan, Co Kildare. Mary Rossiter, Ballycullane.
Anniversaries: We remember in our prayers this weekend Patrick Merrigan, The Bungalows Cross Street, Annie Mears William Street, Francis Aspel, Ard Alainn. Peter Philbin, England. Tom, Nora & Robert Scannell, Listowel.

Today's Reading

'The Church was made manifest to the world on the day of Pentecost by the outpouring of the Holy Spirit. The gift of the Spirit ushers in a new era in the dispensation of the mystery - the age of the Church, during which Christ manifests, makes present and communicates his work of salvation through the liturgy of his Church "until he comes"

First Reading:
Acts of the Apostles 2:1-11

Luke describes the descent of the Holy Spirit on the apostles on Pentecost Day and the powerful effect it had on them. The Jewish feast of Pentecost was one of the three major pilgrim festivals of Israel. The fact that it was a pilgrim feast explains why devout Jews from every nation were in Jerusalem at this time. Since the account in Greek does not use gender-specific language we can conclude that women, men and children were all present.

Second Reading:
Romans 8:8-17

This reading consists of three different, yet related themes: an acclamation that Jesus is Lord; a clear statement that there is a variety of gifts within the Christian community; the body metaphor that characterises that diversity of gifts. The metaphor of the human body emphasises the importance of unity in diversity rather than uniformity.

Notices

Corpus Christi Procession—Route.
The Feast of Corpus Christi falls on Sunday 29th May this year and our annual procession will take place on that day. The Procession will begin in the Irishtown and proceed to Mount Carmel, The 3 Bullet Gate, Neville St, Michael St and finishing in the Church.
Assembling in Irishtown : 2.30pm.

Procession in Honour of Our Lady.
Date: Saturday, 21st May 2016.
Venue: The Friary, Wexford.
Mass will be celebrated at 11.00am followed by the Procession. Tea will be served afterwards in the Friary.
Bring your families so that together we may give Jesus the joy of seeing His Mother honoured by all.

The Faith of Ireland,
The Faith of The World.
In the National Opera House, Wexford a Transatlantic celebration of sacred music will take place on Friday 27th May 2016 beginning at 7.30pm. The Concert will feature The University of Notre Dame Folk Choir, Wexford Youth Chorus & Ferns Festival Choir with special guests The Session Sisters. Proceeds will go towards Sacred Music Programmes in the Diocese of Ferns.
Tickets: €20, concessions €15, Children €10. All tickets will be sold from the Opera House - 053 9122144.

Tea & Coffee Morning.
Venue: Bosheen Community Centre.
Dates: 3rd & 4th June 2016. *Plenty of home-made cakes & buns….*
All welcome!
Proceeds in aid of Irish Society for Autism.