

## **Idea 2 How Pentecost is celebrated in other countries**

In France it was customary to blow trumpets during Divine service, to recall the sound of the mighty wind which accompanied the Descent of the Holy Ghost.

In England the gentry amused themselves with horse races.

On Pentecost the Russians carry flowers and green branches in their hands.

In Italy it was customary to scatter rose leaves from the ceiling of the churches to recall the miracle of the fiery tongues

With this we had the children throw hand fulls of rose petals out around and over the congregation. I then invited everyone to pick up one petal and to look at it, feel it and smell it and hold it during the sermon about the Holy Spirit

At the end of the sermon people were asked to smell the petal again and as they did receive the smell as a symbol of the Holy Spirit filling them afresh.