

Holy Spirit Polish National Catholic Church

Father Rafal Dadello will be celebrating Holy Mass on Sunday March 23rd at 11.00 a.m.
All are welcome. It is the 3rd Sunday of Lent
The first reading is from the Book of Exodus 17:3-7
The second reading is from the Letter of St. Paul to the Romans 5:1-2, 5-8
The Holy Gospel is from St. John 4:5-42

Father Dadello will be celebrating Holy Mass for the Catholic community on Saturday, March 22nd at 4.00 p.m. in St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 32 West Main Street in St. Johnsville

Our Coffee Hour will follow Holy Mass and be sponsored by Karen and Jim Filipski

On every Friday during Lent, we have Stations of the Cross at 6.00 p.m.
On Tuesday, March 25 is Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Holy Mass at 9.00 a.m.

Our Sunday Message

John presents us with a dramatic, even theatrical, encounter. Jesus is described in very human terms, sitting at the well, exhausted from his journey. The woman too is very human. Her appearance at the well at about noon, long after the other village women would have replenished their water supply for the day, may indicate her isolated position in local society. She was shunned because of her many sins. Yet it is she who becomes a missionary to her people.

Water becomes the sign by which both baptism and faith are explained to us. Water is the means, but the Holy Spirit flowing into us is the reality. There is a vital connection between the flowing of water and the outpouring of the Holy Spirit. The living water of which Jesus speaks brings not only awareness of her sin to the woman but forgiveness, hope in the person of Jesus as the Messiah, and faith in his words. The water Jesus offers is not something that human effort can achieve. It is pure gift of God, water which, when drunk, become: within a spring of life. Jesus is referring in the first place to his own words of salvation, words that are spirit and life, because whoever listens to them and lives by them will continue to share in God's life. The water has a deeper meaning a symbol of the Holy Spirit. The Spirit enables us to understand the words of Jesus and to respond to them with a willing heart.

We will be selling pierogi and golumbki on an on-going basis. Please contact Karen Filipski at (315) 823-4152 to order.

The PNCC was organized in Scranton, PA in 1897. The denomination has over 25,000 members in North America. The church in Little Falls belongs to the Mohawk Valley Seniorate district, which also includes churches in Latham, Schenectady, New York Mills, Rome and Syracuse. More information about the PNCC can be obtained by calling Fr. Dadello at 823-0793, also by visiting WWW.PNCC.ORG or WWW.HOLYSPIRITPNCC.ORG Anyone needing a ride to Holy Mass can call Karen Filipski at (315) 823-4152 or John Rogers at (315) 429-9314.

May the blessing of the Lord be upon you.