## **Holy Spirit Polish National Catholic Church**

Father Rafal Dadello will be celebrating Holy Mass on Sunday April 14<sup>th</sup> at 11.00 a.m.

All are welcome. It is the Third Sunday of Easter

The first reading is from the Book of Acts of the Apostles: 5:27-32, 40b-41

The second reading is from the Book of the Revelation 5:11-14

The Holy Gospel is from St. John 21:1-19

Father Dadello will also be celebrating Holy Mass for the Catholic community on Saturday, April 13<sup>th</sup> at 4.00 p.m. in St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 32 West Main Street in St. Johnsville

On Sunday, April 14 following Holy Mass is our Easter Dinner. We invite everyone from our community to share with us the joy of Easter.

## **Our Sunday Message**

Do you believe in the resurrection of the body? Every time we say the Creed we are asserting that we do. Today we encounter a risen body, the first fruits of Christ's resurrection from the dead. The risen Lord moves among his disciples, initially hidden from them and then cooking and sharing breakfast with them. Our faith is firmly rooted in Jesus' resurrection from the dead. We believe it, proclaim it and live by it. The entire Christian faith is based on this most profound truth that death could not hold Jesus of Nazareth. Jesus is the only human being that death could not have power over.

The joy of our faith is that we share in this wonderful blessing. Many of us have seen a corpse — perhaps the body of a loved one. It is always and without fail a traumatic experience in which one knows immediately that the person we loved so dearly has gone - the body is simply a shell because the soul has left the body. We do not think too much about these things, and more is the pity. Many today think of being spiritual as having little to do with the body — as if true spirituality is more to do with the soul and the spirit. But this is not Christian teaching.

Jesus came to save and redeem us body and soul. As Paul so eloquently put it: 'If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he.. .will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit which dwells in you'

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 Senioratte 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 <a href="https://www.holyspiritpncc.org"><u>WWW.holyspiritpncc.org</u></a> 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.