Holy Spirit Polish National Catholic Church

Father Rafal Dadello will be celebrating Holy Mass on Sunday April 22nd at 11.00 a.m. All are welcome. It is the Third Sunday of Easter The first reading is from the Book of the Acts 3:13-15,17-19 The second reading is from the First Letter of St. John 2:1-5 The Holy Gospel is from St. Luke 24:35-48

Father Dadello will also be celebrating Holy Mass for the Catholic community on Saturday, April 21st at 4.00 p.m. in St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 32 West Main Street in St. Johnsville.

Our Sunday Message

After his resurrection Jesus appeared to his disciples in order to convince them that he had indeed risen from the dead. This was not a straightforward task. The disciples had to struggle to come to faith by dealing with and overcoming their fears, doubts and unbelief. Jesus himself had to lead them from incredulity to faith by letting them see and touch him.

There were other, very different, experiences, which also convinced them that Jesus had risen. Before Jesus' resurrection they had been unable to understand the Scriptures, even though he had often explained them to them. Now, after his resurrection, the risen Christ opened their minds to understand God's Word.

In a similar way, as we come into his presence, Christ will open our minds to understand the Scriptures. Then, in and through God's Word, we shall meet our risen Savior and experience his peace flowing into us, our doubts disappearing, our fears slipping away, our hearts being filled with confidence, joy, hope and love. The presence of Jesus will bring us to stronger faith, enabling us to stand firm against every attack of doubt, fear and unbelief.

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

Parish Committee Meeting will take place on April 29th after Holy Mass

The parish is selling gołąbki and pierogi. To place your order please call Joan Crandall at (315) 894-2539 or Karen Filipski at (315) 823–4152.

The church is conducting a food drive to support the local food pantry. Parishioners are encouraged to bring non-perishable items to church on Sundays. Parishioners are also encouraged to donate paper products, coffee and other items needed for the church's Coffee Hour that is held every Sunday after Holy Mass.

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, Amsterdam, New York Mills, Rome and Schenectady. More information about the PNCC can be obtained by calling Fr. Dadello at 823-0793, also by visiting <u>WWW.PNCC.ORG</u> or <u>WWW.HOLYSPIRITPNCC.ORG</u> 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.