Holy Spirit Polish National Catholic Church

Father Rafal Dadello will be celebrating Holy Mass on Sunday May 18^{th} at 11.00 a.m. All are welcome. It is the Fifth Sunday of Easter

The first reading is from the First Book of Acts 6:1-7

The second reading is from the First Letter of St. Peter 2:4-9

The Holy Gospel is from St. John 14:1-12

Father Dadello will be celebrating Holy Mass for the Catholic community on Saturday, May 17th at 4.00 p.m. in St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 32 West Main Street in St. Johnsville

Coffee Hour will follow the Holy Mass and be sponsored by Grace Archambault, Ken and Joann Scherer

Our Sunday Message

Jesus knew his disciples were unhappy at the prospect of his leaving them. To alleviate their sorrow, he told them: 'Let not your hearts be troubled; believe in God, believe also in me'

Like the disciples, we often live troubled lives. We are so absorbed by everything we have to do or cope with that we often forget the truth that our destiny is heaven. This should be the true source of our joy. We were created by the Father to be his children. Our first sin took us out of the plan God designed for our good and blessing. Out of love for us, Jesus came to bring us back into the Father's original plan. By his life, suffering, death and resurrection Jesus reconciled us to the Father. He took away the sins that separated us from him. He opened up the gates of heaven, closed against us by our sin, so we could enter into heaven itself.

We are on a journey to the Father. In faith we should keep our eyes fixed on heaven, longing and thirsting for it. Christ has prepared a place for us in his Father's house. This hope can overcome all the troubles that burden our hearts and fill them with confidence, joy and peace.

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 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 <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.