Holy Spirit Polish National Catholic Church

Father Rafal Dadello will be celebrating Holy Mass at the Polish National Cemetery in East Herkimer (weather permitting) on Sunday May 27th at 11.00 a.m. All are welcome. It is the Solemnity of the Pentecost

The first reading is from the Book of the Acts 2:1-11

The second reading is from the First Letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians 12:3-7,12-13 The Holy Gospel is from St. John 20:19-23

Father Dadello will also be celebrating Holy Mass for the Catholic community on Saturday, May 26th at 4.00 p.m. in St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 32 West Main Street in St. Johnsville.

On Sunday June 3rd we will be having our Memorial Day picnic following Holy Mass at the church. All are invited.

Our Sunday Message

It was not a mighty wind or tongues of fire in that house where Mary and the apostles were gathered. Luke says that it was like a wind and tongues of fire: the reality was the Holy Spirit. It was He who filled them and gave them utterance. On that day the Holy Spirit entered the apostles and from that day He has built up the community established on them. It was the birth of the Church.

As we celebrate Pentecost this year the Holy Spirit wants to renew his life within us. He wants to give each of us that utterance which will make our neighbors hear Christ in our words and see him in our deeds. Painfully aware of how inadequate is our witness; today we nevertheless celebrate the Spirit who does manifest the life of Christ in and through us. He has done so for two thousand years despite all human sin and apathy, and He will continue to do so in the life of each of us.

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, 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.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.