

Holy Spirit Polish National Catholic Church

Father Rafal Dadello will be celebrating Holy Mass on Sunday June 10th at 11.00 a.m. All are welcome. It is the Solemnity of Corpus Christi
The first reading is from the Book of Exodus 24:3-8
The second reading is from the Letter to the Hebrews 9:11-15
The Holy Gospel is from St. Mark 14:12-16,22-26

Father Dadello will also be celebrating Holy Mass for the Catholic community on Saturday, June 9th at 4.00 p.m. in St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 32 West Main Street in St. Johnsville.

Coffee Hour will follow Holy Mass and be sponsored by Shirley Allen and Susan Bladek

On Friday, June 15 is Solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Holy Mass at 9.00 a.m.

Our Sunday Message

What is the source and summit of the Christian life? Is it feeding the poor and alleviating world poverty? Is it a holy life or the witness of a saint? Is it a life dedicated to self-sacrifice and service of others?

The Christian life is many things and it is certainly all of these. However, the source and summit of the Christian life is the gift of the Eucharist. It is this act of worship that reaches the very height, the very essence, the pinnacle of what the Christian life is. This is because the Christian life is Jesus Christ. To know him, love him and follow him.

In the Eucharist Jesus enters us and we enter Jesus. We consume him and he consumes us. The Eucharist is food: food for this life and food for the next. We are composed of body and soul. Just as food feeds our physical bodies, so the Eucharist feeds our souls. As human beings we have profound needs: we need to know we are loved; we need to have meaning and purpose in our lives; we need to have hope in a destiny and future beyond the grave. The Eucharist answers these deep questions about human existence. The reason the Eucharist is the source and summit of the Christian life is because the meaning of life is to know Jesus. In the Eucharist we meet him in the most real and authentic of ways. Unlike mountaineers who strive with every fiber of their being to reach the summit of towering peaks, we simply receive the Eucharist as a gift. We can't earn it, we don't deserve it: it is God's greatest gift to 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, which 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 Seniorate 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 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.