

Holy Spirit Polish National Catholic Church

Father Rafal Dadello will be celebrating Holy Mass on Sunday July 15th at 4.00 p.m. All are welcome. It is the 15th Sunday of Ordinary Time

The first reading is from the Book of the Prophet Amos 7:12-15

The second reading is from the Letter of St. Paul to the Ephesians 1:3-14

The Holy Gospel is from St. Mark 6:7-13

Father Dadello will also be celebrating Holy Mass for the Catholic community on Saturday, July 14th at 4.00 p.m. in St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 32 West Main Street in St. Johnsville.

Our Sunday Message

Amos was a normal, everyday workingman. We hear about him in the first reading. He lived just south of the border between the Kingdoms of Israel and Judah, on the Judean side. Amos crossed the border into the North and proclaimed God's truth to those in the City of Bethel. The people there were soft selling their faith. They were part timing their devotion to Yahweh. Amos told them to change their lives and be committed to the Lord. The priest Amaziah told Amos to stop confronting the people and go back to Judah. Amos responded: "I am not a professional prophet. I am an arborist, a dresser of trees. But I cannot refuse to proclaim the Lord."

Nor can any of us. We have to "proclaim the word, in season and out of season" as St. Paul writes in 2 Tim 4:2. We have to proclaim the truth we experience within us whether it is a time others want to hear it, in season, or whether it is a time they would rather we just keep quiet, out of season.

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.