

# **Holy Spirit Polish National Catholic Church**

Father Rafal Dadello will be celebrating Holy Mass on Sunday August 11<sup>th</sup> at 11.00 a.m.  
All are welcome. It is the Nineteen Sunday Ordinary  
The first reading is from the Book of Wisdom 18:6-9  
The second reading is from the Letter to the Hebrews 11:1-2,8-19  
The Holy Gospel is from St. Luke 12:32-48

Father Dadello will also be celebrating Holy Mass for the Catholic community on Saturday, August 10<sup>th</sup> at 4.00 a.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 Sue Bladek

On Saturday, August 9th, during the Little Falls Canal Days Celebration we will be selling pierogi, gałabki, kapusta and kielbasa sandwiches beginning at 11:00—Eat in or take out. We will NOT be selling on Sunday.

We will be having our annual Polka Fest, featuring Tony's Polka band, on Saturday Sept. 7<sup>th</sup> from 1:00 – 5:00 at the East Herkimer Fish and Game Club.

## **Our Sunday Message**

We have received, through the grace of baptism certainly but also through the grace of revelation, a knowledge or awareness of the mystery of the kingdom of Christ. Giving us this grace and blessing was the Father's good pleasure. In other words, God the Father delights to give us knowledge, insight and revelation into the deeper mysteries of Christ. The greatest gift we have is that of being in a relationship with Jesus Christ: believing in him, knowing him and serving him. This is heavenly treasure, this is true riches.

We will be judged according to our response to this gift. 'Everyone to whom much is given, of him will much be required' (v. 48). One of the things that God desires of us is that we should be alert and waiting for Jesus to return. Christ will judge whether our hearts are ready and waiting for his return or are unprepared, unengaged and preoccupied with the things of this world. Truth be told, we don't think much along these lines. Although the teaching of the Church is that the return of Christ is imminent, we have grown dull and weary and have lost a certain liveliness to this truth. Of course, the Church also warns us against a kind of doom and gloom approach — you know, 'The end of the world is nigh'. St Francis of Assisi was once asked what he would do if one morning he was told that Christ would return that day. So ready was he for Christ's second coming that he replied that he would plough his field as planned.

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 Syracuse. More information about the PNCC can be obtained by calling Fr. Dadello at 823-0793, also by visiting [WWW.PNCC.ORG](http://WWW.PNCC.ORG) or [WWW.HOLYSPIRITPNCC.ORG](http://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.