

Mass on Ash Wednesday is always the same to prepare us for Lent. After the homily, the priest blesses ashes from the palms blessed the preceding year for Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion. Then the ashes are placed on those who come forward. When you get the ashes, you may hear, "Repent, and believe in the Gospel" (Mark 1:15) or "Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return" (Genesis 3:19).