

Ash Wednesday Event

Bishop Thomas Daily came to the Fulton Ferry area of Brooklyn to celebrate Ash Wednesday.

At the St. James Cath-

edral-Basilica, located on Jay Street and Tillary Street, Daily was joined by 20 priests to celebrate the commencement of Lent, the

40 weekdays before Easter Sunday observed as a period of penitence.

Daily delivered the solemn blessing, distributed ashes, and celebrated Mass.

After the homily, preached by Father Thomas V. Doyle of the diocesan Finance Office, Bishop Daily burned the palms saved from last Palm Sunday and distributed the ashes to penitents.

Bishop Daily used the ashes, symbolic of penance, to mark the forehead with the sign of the Cross, and issued one of two reminders: "Remember you are dust and to dust you will return," or, "Turn away from sin and be faithful to the gospel," said Daily.

After the Mass, Daily greeted the assemblage as they left the Cathedral-Basilica.



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Bishop Thomas Daily distributes ashes to Rosemarie Rufrano at St. James Cathedral-Basilica.