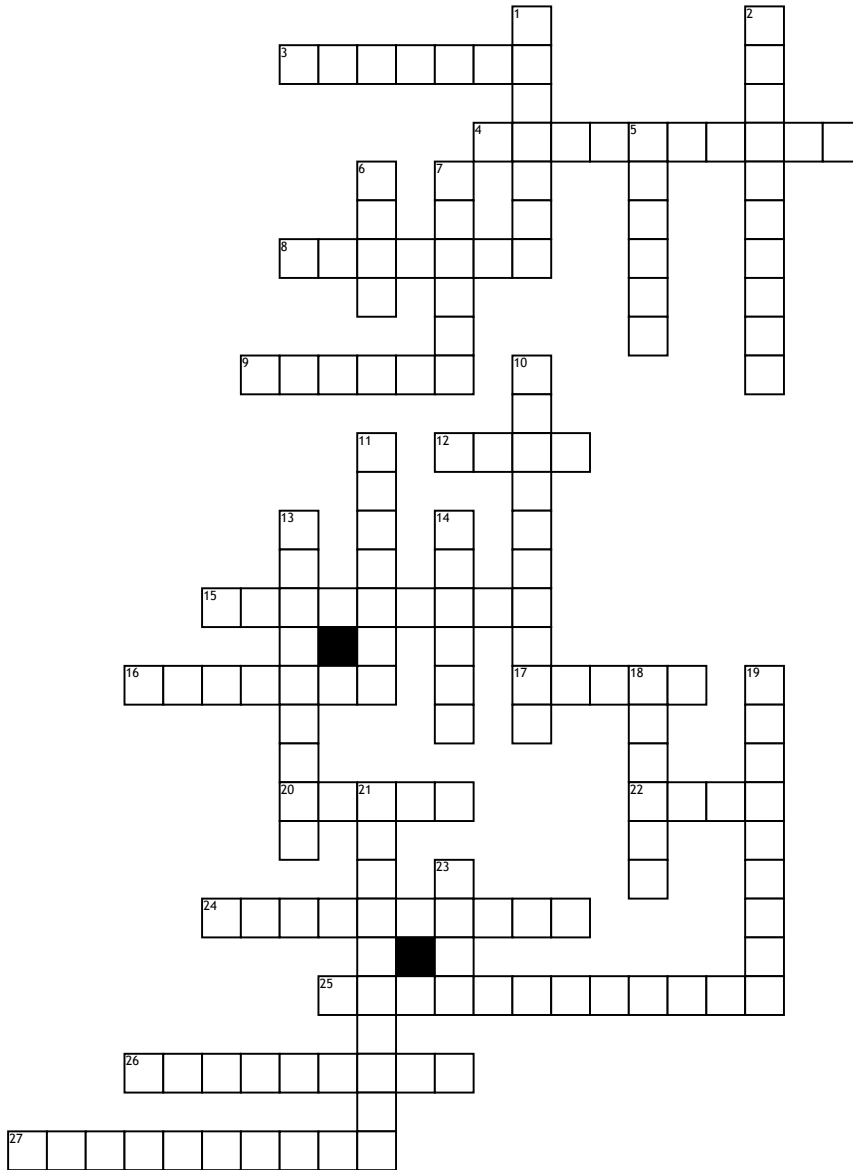


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# Ash Wednesday



## Across

3. The signing is done with ashes because ashes are a biblical symbol of mourning and penance. **MOURNING AND**

4. The ashes used in this ceremony are made by burning the remains of the palms blessed on the \_\_\_\_\_ of the previous year.

8. **MOURNING AND**

9. Ash Wednesday occurs forty days before Good Friday. **GOOD**

12. The minister or priest marks each worshipper on the forehead, and says remember you are dust and unto dust you shall return, or a similar phrase based on God's sentence on Adam in Genesis 3:19.

15. Ashes are a symbol of penance made sacramental by the blessing of the Church, and they help us develop a spirit of humility and sacrifice.

16. Fasting is required during Ash Wednesday.

17. The priest, dipping his thumb into ashes previously blessed, marks the forehead with the Sign of the Cross.

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22. The minister or priest marks each worshipper on the forehead, and says remember you are \_\_\_\_\_ and unto \_\_\_\_\_ you shall return, or a similar phrase based on God's sentence on Adam in Genesis 3:19.

24. Abstinence is required during Ash Wednesday.

25. It is a season of penance, reflection, and fasting which prepares us for Christ's Resurrection on \_\_\_\_\_, through which we attain redemption.

26. The ashes also symbolize death and so remind us of our \_\_\_\_\_.

27. Ash Wednesday is not a holy day of \_\_\_\_\_.

## Down

1. The signing is done with ashes because ashes are a biblical symbol of mourning and \_\_\_\_\_.

2. Ash Wednesday occurs forty days before \_\_\_\_\_.

5. It is a season of penance, reflection, and fasting which prepares us for Christ's Resurrection on Easter Sunday, through which we attain redemption.

6. Ash Wednesday is the first day of \_\_\_\_\_.

7. **PALM**

10. \_\_\_\_\_ is required during Ash Wednesday.

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13. Ashes are a symbol of penance made sacramental by the blessing of the Church, and they help us develop a spirit of humility and \_\_\_\_\_.

14. **GOOD**

18. The ashes used in this ceremony are made by burning the remains of the palms blessed on the Palm Sunday of the previous year. **PALM**

19. The ashes also symbolize death and so remind us of our mortality.

21. Ash Wednesday is not a holy day of obligation.

23. Ash Wednesday is the first day of Lent.