## Continuing Our Journey of Hope Through Lent The Hope in Ash Wednesday

There is great hope in Ash Wednesday. With the ashes on our foreheads and the words "Remember that dust you are, and to dust you shall return", we are reminded that we are mortals on this earth. With Communion, when we take the Body and Blood of Christ, we are reminded that we are sinners. Once we have accepted our mortality and our sinfulness, then there comes that great hope. Because then we can finally accept our Salvation, and our journey to Eternity. We can put aside our own management program for our lives long enough to allow God to be God for us. We can forgive ourselves as we have been forgiven, and we can accept a future which will end in heaven. Hope is here and isn't that all any of us really needs? As you continue your journey of Lent in 2021, hope for the positive and pray for new blessings every day.

Prayer: God our Father who knows us so well, wanting only the best for his children, willing always to forgive and forget. Where does our help come from? Our help comes from the Lord, maker of heaven and earth! Amen