FIRST READING

Job 38.1-4, 8-11++

Here have I prescribed the bounds of the sea.

The Lord answered Job out of the whirlwind:

1 “Who is this that darkens counsel by words without knowledge?

2 I will question you, and you shall declare to me.

3 “Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth?
Tell me if you have understanding.

4 “Who shut in the sea with doors
when it burst out from the womb?—
when I made the clouds its garment,
and prescribed bounds for it,
and set bars and doors,

5 and said, `Thus far shall you come, and no farther,
and here shall your proud waves be stopped’?”

The word of the Lord.

A period of silence is observed after the reading.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 107.23-24, 25-26, 28-29, 30-31 (R.1)

R. Give thanks to the Lord,
God’s love is everlasting.

or: Alleluia! (Two or three times)

23 Some went down to the sea in ships,
doing business on the mighty waters;
they saw the deeds of the Lord,
his wondrous works in the deep. R.

25 For he commanded and raised the stormy wind,
which lifted up the waves of the sea.

26 They mounted up to heaven and they went down to the depths;
their courage melted away in their calamity. R.

28 Then they cried to the Lord in their trouble,
and he brought them out from their distress;
he made the storm be still,
and the waves of the sea were hushed. R.
Then they were glad when it grew calm, 
and he brought them to their desired haven.

Let them thank the Lord for his steadfast love, 
for his wonderful works to human beings. R.

SECOND READING

2 Corinthians 5.14-17

See, everything has been made new.

A reading from the second letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

14 The love of Christ urges us on, 
because we are convinced that one has died for all; 
therefore all have died.

15 And he died for all, 
so that those who live might live no longer for themselves, 
but for him who died and was raised for them.

16 From now on, therefore, we regard no one 
from a human point of view. 
Even though we once knew Christ 
from a human point of view, 
we know him no longer in that way.

17 So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: 
everything old has passed away; 
see, everything has become new!

The word of the Lord.

A period of silence is observed after the reading.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Luke 7.16

This verse may accompany the singing of the Alleluia. 
If the Alleluia is not sung, the acclamation is omitted. 
A great prophet has appeared among us; 
God has visited his people.
A reading from the holy gospel according to Mark.

35 When evening had come, Jesus said to his disciples, “Let us go across to the other side.”
36 And leaving the crowd behind, they took Jesus with them in the boat, just as he was. Other boats were with him.
37 A great windstorm arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped.
38 But Jesus was in the stern, asleep on the cushion; and they woke him up and said to him, “Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?”
39 He woke up and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, “Peace! Be still!” Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm.
40 Jesus said to them, “Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?”
41 And they were filled with great awe and said to one another, “Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?”

The gospel of the Lord.