Reading for Third Sunday of ordinary time - B

Reading 1, Jonah 3:1-5, 10

¹ The word of <u>Yahweh</u> was addressed to <u>Jonah</u> a second time. ² 'Up!' he said, 'Go to Nineveh, the great city, and preach to it as I shall tell you.' ³ Jonah set out and went to Nineveh in <u>obedience</u> to the word of Yahweh. Now Nineveh was a city great beyond compare; to cross it took three days. ⁴ Jonah began by going a day's journey into the city and then proclaimed, 'Only forty days more and Nineveh <u>will</u> be overthrown.' ⁵ And the people of Nineveh believed in God; they proclaimed a <u>fast</u> and put on sackcloth, from the greatest to the least. ¹⁰ God saw their efforts to renounce their <u>evil</u> ways. And <u>God</u> relented about the disaster which he had threatened to bring on them, and did not bring it.

Responsorial Psalm, Psalms 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9

- ⁴ DIRECT me in your ways, Yahweh, and teach me your paths.
- ⁵ ENCOURAGE me to walk in your <u>truth</u> and teach me since you are the <u>God</u> who saves me. FOR my <u>hope</u> is in you all day long -- such is your generosity, Yahweh.
- ⁶ GOODNESS and faithful love have been yours for ever, Yahweh, do not forget them. ⁷ HOLD not my youthful sins against me, but remember me as your faithful love dictates.
- ⁸ INTEGRITY and generosity are marks of <u>Yahweh</u> for he brings sinners back to the path. ⁹ JUDICIOUSLY he guides the humble, instructing the poor in his way.

Reading 2, First Corinthians 7:29-31

What I mean, brothers, is that the <u>time</u> has become limited, and from now on, those who have spouses should live as though they had none; and those who mourn as though they were not mourning; those who enjoy <u>life</u> as though they did not enjoy it; those who have been buying <u>property</u> as though they had no possessions; and those who are involved with the world as though they were people not engrossed in it. Because this world as we know it is passing away.

Gospel, *Mark 1:14-20*

¹⁴ After <u>John</u> had been arrested, <u>Jesus</u> went into Galilee. There he proclaimed the gospel from <u>God</u> saying, ¹⁵ 'The <u>time</u> is fulfilled, and the kingdom of <u>God</u> is close at hand. Repent, and believe the gospel.' ¹⁶ As he was walking along by the Lake of <u>Galilee</u> he saw Simon and Simon's brother Andrew casting a net in the lake -- for they were fishermen. ¹⁷ And <u>Jesus</u> said to them, 'Come after me and I <u>will</u> make you into fishers of people.' ¹⁸ And at once they left their nets and followed him. ¹⁹ Going on a little further, he saw <u>James</u> son of Zebedee and his brother John; they too were in their boat, mending the nets. ²⁰ At once he called them and, leaving their father Zebedee in the boat with the men he employed, they went after him.