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Roman Missal 469; Lectionary 409

or **Blessed Frédéric Janssoone**

or **The Dedication of the Basilica of St Mary Major**

Blessed Frédéric Janssoone helped develop Notre-Dame-du-Cap at Cap-de-la-Madeleine. See p. 170.

This basilica, built in the fourth century under Pope Liberius, was first called the Liberian Basilica. See p. 170.

Entrance Antiphon

(Jer 29) **The Lord said: I think thoughts of peace and not of affliction. You will call upon me, and I will answer you, and I will lead back your captives from every place.**

Collect

Grant us, we pray, O Lord our God, the constant gladness of being devoted to you, for it is full and lasting happiness to serve with constancy the author of all that is good. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Reading (Jeremiah 31.1-7) —

At that time, says the Lord, I will be the God of all the families of Israel, and they shall be my people. Thus says the Lord: The people who survived the sword found grace in the wilderness; when Israel sought for rest, the Lord appeared to him from far away. I have loved you with an everlasting love; therefore I have continued my faithfulness to you.

Again I will build you, and you shall be built, O virgin Israel! Again you shall take your tambourines, and go forth in the dance of the merrymakers. Again you shall plant vineyards

on the mountains of Samaria; the planters shall plant, and shall enjoy the fruit.

For there shall be a day when sentinels will call in the hill country of Ephraim: “Come, let us go up to Zion, to the Lord our God.”

For thus says the Lord: Sing aloud with gladness for Jacob, and raise shouts for the chief of the nations; proclaim, give praise, and say, “Save, O Lord, your people, the remnant of Israel.”

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Responsorial Canticle —————
(Jeremiah 31)

R. The Lord will guard us,
like a shepherd guarding
his flock.

Hear the word of the Lord, O nations, and declare it in the coastlands far away; say, “He who scattered Israel will gather him, and will keep him as a shepherd a flock.” **R.**

For the Lord has ransomed Jacob, and has redeemed him

from hands too strong for him. They shall come and sing aloud on the height of Zion, and they shall be radiant over the goodness of the Lord. **R.**

Then shall the young women rejoice in the dance, and the young men and the old shall be merry. I will turn their mourning into joy, I will comfort them, and give them gladness for sorrow. **R.**

Acclamation *(Luke 7)*

Alleluia. Alleluia. A great prophet has appeared among us; God has visited his people. **Alleluia.**

Gospel —————
(Matthew 15.21-28)

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Jesus went to the district of Tyre and Sidon. And a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, “Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon.”

But Jesus did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, “Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us.” He answered, “I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.” But she came and knelt before him, saying, “Lord, help me.” Jesus answered, “It is not fair to take the children’s food and throw it to the dogs.” She said, “Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters’ table.”

Then Jesus answered her, “Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish.” And her daughter was healed instantly.

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Prayer over the Offerings

Grant, O Lord, we pray, that what we offer in the sight of

your majesty may obtain for us the grace of being devoted to you and gain us the prize of everlasting happiness. Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Communion Antiphon

(Ps 72) **To be near God is my happiness, to place my hope in God the Lord.**

or

(Mk 11) **Amen, I say to you: Whatever you ask in prayer, believe that you will receive, and it shall be given to you, says the Lord.**

Prayer after Communion

We have partaken of the gifts of this sacred mystery, humbly imploring, O Lord, that what your Son commanded us to do in memory of him may bring us growth in charity. Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Love is never defeated. —St. John Paul II