



**Archdiocese of St. Louis**  
**Office of Sacred Worship**  
**Lectio Divina**  
**Saint Pius X, Pope**

**Lectionary: 626: 1 Thes 2:2b-8/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 21-22, 25 and 27/Jn 10:14/Jn 21:15-17**

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**First Reading**

1 Thes 2:2b-8

Brothers and sisters:

We drew courage through our God to speak to you the gospel of God with much struggle. Our exhortation was not from delusion or impure motives, nor did it work through deception. But as we were judged worthy by God to be entrusted with the gospel, that is how we speak, not as trying to please human beings, but rather God, who judges our hearts. Nor, indeed, did we ever appear with flattering speech, as you know, or with a pretext for greed—God is witness—nor did we seek praise from human beings, either from you or from others, although we were able to impose our weight as apostles of Christ. Rather, we were gentle among you, as a nursing mother cares for her children. With such affection for you, we were determined to share with you not only the gospel of God, but our very selves as well, so dearly beloved had you become to us.



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**Responsorial Psalm**

*Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 21-22, 25 and 27*

***R. For ever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.***

I will sing of your mercy forever, LORD proclaim your faithfulness through all ages. For I said, "My mercy is established forever; my faithfulness will stand as long as the heavens.

***R. For ever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.***

"I have made a covenant with my chosen one; I have sworn to David my servant: I will make your dynasty stand forever and establish your throne through all ages."

***R. For ever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.***

I have chosen David, my servant; with my holy oil I have anointed him. My hand will be with him; my arm will make him strong.

***R. For ever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.***

My faithfulness and mercy will be with him; through my name his horn will be exalted. He shall cry to me, 'You are my father, my God, the Rock of my salvation!'

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**Alleluia**

*Jn 10:14*

**R. Alleluia, alleluia.**

I am the good shepherd, and I know mine and mine know me,

**R. Alleluia, alleluia.**

**Gospel**

*Jn 21:15-17*

After Jesus had revealed himself to his disciples and had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon, son of John, do you love me more than these?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord, you know that I love you." He said to him, "Feed my lambs." He then said to him a second time, "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord, you know that I love you." He said to him, "Tend my sheep." He said to him the third time, "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" Peter was distressed that he had said to him a third time, "Do you love me?" and he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you." [Jesus] said to him, "Feed my sheep.