

## Scripture Reflection

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Christ's love for each of one of us is boundless. We are each individually known, loved, and called.

The more we know Christ, the more we trust Him and love Him. His sacrifice on the cross *For the Life of the World* inspires us to make sacrifices of our own to follow Him.

In today's Gospel, Jesus tells us:

*"I am the good shepherd,  
and I know mine and mine know me,  
just as the Father knows me and I know the Father;  
and I will lay down my life for the sheep.  
I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold.  
These also I must lead, and they will hear my voice,  
and there will be one flock, one shepherd."  
Jn 10:14-16*

The Good Shepherd wants all people to know Him, love Him, and follow Him. His words remind us of our evangelizing mission as His Church.

By virtue of our Baptism, each of us is called to be "a good shepherd" in our daily life: with our family, at work, at school, in our community. We are also called to share the joy of the Gospel with those who do not belong to the fold. Through acts of compassion and mercy, we make Christ's love present to our brothers and sisters.

Each year, the *Annual Catholic Appeal* allows us to come together as a family in Christ to make Him present throughout the Archdiocese of St. Louis and lead others to Him through life-giving ministries and programs. Our gifts become hope and healing for the most vulnerable and spread His love and mercy.

Please give to the *Appeal* <<date and place>> or visit [aca.archstl.org](http://aca.archstl.org) to learn more about how you can continue to be Christ's hands and feet and share His Love *For the Life of the World*. You can also Text-to-Give by texting "**ACA**" to **243725**.

## Bulletin/Pulpit Announcement

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Christ's boundless love compels us to act. The *Annual Catholic Appeal* provides us an opportunity to be Christ's hands and feet throughout the Archdiocese of St. Louis and support the mission of the Church *For the Life of the World*, sharing His love and mercy with those who need it most. This week, we are launching the *Appeal* in our parish.

Please consider supporting the *Annual Catholic Appeal* this year. You can pick up your pledge card after Mass, make a gift online at [aca.archstl.org](http://aca.archstl.org) or use Text-to-Give by texting "**ACA**" to **243725**.