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**SATURDAY, 8 NOVEMBER 2025 – SUNDAY, 16 NOVEMBER 2025**

**PARISH FAMILY DAY FELLOWSHIP**  
We have successfully sold 50 tables for the Parish Family Day Thanksgiving Dinner on Sunday, 16 November 2025, at St Thomas Hall in Kuantan, starting at 7.00 pm. We look forward to seeing you there with your friends and family! Please remember to bring along your tickets and arrive on time to be seated at your designated tables. Please come dressed in appropriate attire. Thank you so much for your wonderful support!

**9<sup>th</sup> WORLD DAY OF THE POOR**  
In conjunction with the 9<sup>th</sup> World Day of the Poor on Sunday, 16 November 2025, we will organise once again a get together celebration with the Migrants, Orang Asli, and the poor families from our neighborhood. Please assemble at the breakfast corner after Mass.  
***Note: There will be only one combined Mass on this day at 9.00 am.***

**THE FIRST HOLY COMMUNION**  
The First Holy Communion Mass will be held on Sunday, 23 November 2025. The theme is :“**JESUS MY FRIEND FOREVER**”. Let's remember to keep our children in your prayers as they deepen their understanding and love for the Eucharist.

**PROGRAM ALPHA (BAHASA MALAYSIA)**  
Satu program Kursus ALPHA akan dianjurkan untuk Kumpulan Umat Bahasa Malaysia (KUBM), Kuantan, di St. Theresa Chapel, Gambang pada Sabtu, 6 Disember dan Ahad, 7 Disember 2025. Diminta setiap umat dan keluarga dari Sabah dan Sarawak berumur 17 tahun ke atas untuk menyertai kursus ini. Untuk maklumat lanjut atau pendaftaran, sila hubungi En. Frederick David (018-6141281).

**PARISH RECOLLECTION DAY CUM JUBILEE YEAR**  
As we journey through the Jubilee Year of Hope, all Parishioners are warmly invited to join our Parish Recollection Day - A special time for prayer, reflection, and spiritual renewal.

Date : Saturday, 13 December 2025  
Venue : St. Giles' Room  
Time : 8.30 am - 3.30 pm

Let us come together as one Parish community to reflect on the meaning and purpose of Jubilee Year 2025.

**DISPOSAL OF HOLY OBJECTS AND RELIGIOUS ARTICLES**  
What do we do with torn or broken holy objects, statues, rosaries, images, medals, cards, and others? These items hold great significance and sentimental values. Therefore, it is important to dispose them appropriately. Kindly bring and place them in the designated basket at the church entrance. We will ensure that they are respectfully buried on our church grounds.

**SECOND COLLECTION FOR DISASTER RELIEF FUND**  
There will be second collection for disaster relief fund during the weekend Masses, on 8 and 9 November 2025. We appreciate your generosity!

As the Church of St. Thomas, the Apostle, Kuantan prepares to celebrate the 9th World Day of the Poor (WDP) on Sunday, 16 November 2025 during the 10.30 am Mass, our hearts are filled with gratitude for the journey we have shared over the past four years (2022–2025). Each year, this celebration reminds us that faith finds its deepest meaning when it reaches out in love to those in need every day.

In 2022 and 2023, our Parish joyfully celebrated the WDP on a grand scale, with carnivals of joy - filled with games, food and community spirit. Parishioners from every ministry, including the BECs, came together to serve with open hearts and willing hands. The laughter of children, the smiles of migrants, and the gratitude of families in need, reminded us that the hope we bring to others reflects the living heart of Christ's Gospel.

In 2024, we continued our WDP celebration on a more personal and heartfelt manner, focusing on meaningful encounters and shared fellowship. This year too, we will, on 16 November, we will gather our brothers and sisters from the Orang Asli communities, migrants from Indonesia, Myanmar and Vietnam, and also our local families who face financial and social challenges, to share moments of friendship and encouragement that serve as a reminder that God's love remains alive among His people.

After the morning Mass, all Parishioners are invited to the breakfast corner for fellowship with our guests, as we share a simple meal, accompanied with a variety of entertainment. Donations in cash or kind are most welcome to help fund this event. As we approach this special day, let us acknowledge the dedication and generosity of our organising committee and all Parishioners who are working tirelessly to ensure the success of this event. May our efforts remind us that every smile we bring, every hand we hold, and every meal we share is a seed of hope in God's Kingdom.

As that day draws to a close, we will gather as one parish-family for our Thanksgiving Dinner Fellowship, a joyful expression of gratitude and solidarity as we near the end of the liturgical year. As we did last year, we have been fortunate once again this year, to be able to engage the services of a caterer from Sekinchan in Selangor, to prepare an eight-course Chinese dinner for us. We have successfully sold all 50 tables - thanks to the generous support of our Parishioners. Several tables have been lovingly sponsored for the elderly, university students, Sabahan and Sarawakian families, and our faithful altar servers - ensuring that everyone shares in the joy of the evening. This is not a fundraising event, but a Thanksgiving Celebration!

Together, let us continue to live out our calling – to love, to serve, and to lift one another, so that through us, the light of Christ's hope may shine ever brighter in our community.