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Dear Parishioners, Parents, Students, and Faculty Members,

Since 1984, the St. Coleman Italian Festival has been more than just an event, it has been a ministry of fellowship, joy, and community. What began as a simple spaghetti dinner with pony rides in our parking lot grew into one of Broward County's premier family celebrations. Together, we have created decades of cherished memories filled with laughter, music, carnival rides, games, delicious food and drink, and most importantly, the spirit of unity, all while raising support for our parish and school.

This remarkable journey was only possible because of you, our school families, parishioners, donors, volunteers, and countless attendees who came together year after year. Your dedication, generosity, and joy built something truly iconic in South Florida.

After much prayer and reflection, we have made the very difficult decision to discontinue the St. Coleman Italian Festival. Rising costs and the challenge of maintaining the large volunteer base needed to host such a major event have made it increasingly difficult to continue in a way that honors our community. Rather than raise prices or reduce the experience, we have chosen to close this chapter on a high note.

While this decision brings sadness, it also brings opportunity. We will now focus on creating new gatherings and events that bring our families together, strengthen our parish and school, and keep the spirit of St. Coleman alive for generations to come.

We are deeply grateful for all who have given their time, for the generosity of our community partners, and for the joyful participation of families and friends. The memories, friendships, and impact of this Festival will continue to inspire us as we build new traditions together.

*Thank you for 41 unforgettable years of
The St. Coleman Italian Festival,
and for standing with us as we begin a new chapter.*

With faith and gratitude,

Fr. Michael Garcia