



# Mama Luigi's

Cooking in the Kitchen since the 1940's

Jim Talerico

Hey... Mama's Calling You

June 2011

## Fathers' Day Special All Month Long!

### Dad Gets a Filet Mignon Steak Deal

We're bringing out the juiciest most tender Prime Filet Mignon Medallions you've ever seen. Four 2 ounce center cut medallions grilled to exact perfection, seared quickly to retain the juices and then cooked the way you want them. It's the best of the best served with soup or salad a fluffy baked potato and vegetable. **But** (isn't there always a but...) this amazing steak deal is only available during the month of June. And the best part is, next to the taste, they are **only 15.99** We guarantee you will not be disappointed!



**Filet Mignon Medallions  
Steak Special  
only in the month of JUNE!**

### Win This Fabulous Brinkman Stainless Steel Gas Grill For Dad



We're giving away this beautiful Stainless Steel Gas Grill for Fathers Day. So come in from now until Fathers Day and fill out an entry form. You could win dad a brand spanking new grill he'll surely enjoy all summer long.

### A Month of Specials

You have to try our specials of the day so we're making it easy and also doing each one for a week. Starting June 3rd thru 9th we'll be featuring our Pasta Fresca Pappardelle Bolognese. Fresh Pasta ribbons with Steak Bolognese slow cooked Bolognese of Black Angus steak tips all in a rich tomato sauce. Then June 10th thru 16th we'll have our chicken cacciatore ravioli special. Tender fresh pasta pillows filled chicken cacciatore style and served with your choice of soup or salad. From June 17th thru 23rd we'll be offering our stuffed chicken parmigiana. A boneless chicken breast layered with fresh spinach and mushrooms topped with marinara and mozzarella cheese then baked parmigiana style over linguini and served with your choice of soup or salad. On the 24<sup>th</sup> thru the 30<sup>th</sup> we'll feature our lotza lasagna special. You can choose either our cheese or our super meaty lasagna. If you can't decide them order the combo and have them both.

### Gluten Free Menu

Don't miss out on your favorite pasta dish or a great sandwich any longer. We offer a nice selection of gluten free entrees that don't skimp on taste.

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# Happenings

Chicken Vesuvio  
Fiesta Weekend  
June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup>

The first Friday, Saturday and Sunday of every month we have a "Chicken Vesuvio Fiesta Weekend".

**Saturdays and Sundays are:**

**Roast Prime Rib of Beef**

Regular or Double Cut

Our Signature Gourmet Boneless Prime Rib Roast is absolutely intoxicating with its aroma of juices, and roasted perfect texture. Cut from the heart of the rib, our rib roast makes a magnificent presentation, and more importantly, deliver a memorable dining experience. Served with choice of soup or salad, choice of potato and fresh vegetable.

**Mondays are:**

***Pasta Fresca Night***

**Pappardelle Bolognese**

***Fresh Pasta ribbons with Steak Bolognese slow cooked Bolognese of Black Angus steak tips all in a rich tomato sauce.***

**Tuesdays are:**

**Ravioli Revolution Tuesday**

A different and interesting ravioli and sauce selection every Tuesday.

**Tuesday June 21<sup>st</sup>**

**Psychic Night 6 to 9pm**

**Wednesdays are:**

**Parmigiano Paesano Wednesday**

Where we have a distinctive Parmigiano entrée each Wednesday.

**Thursdays are:**

**Lotza Lasagna Thursdays**

Choice of Meaty or Cheesy Lasagna or Have a Combo Lasagna and get them both.

**Fridays are:**

**Fruitti Di Mare Fridays**

Shrimp, Clams Calamari and Mussels sautéed in a red wine marinara, served over linguini with garlic toast.

## Mama Luigi's 1000 Gallons Gas Giveaway!

Well gas prices are way up this summer from \$3.00 a gallon last year to over \$4.50 at the time of this printing. I have no idea where it's going to be by the end of the summer so I started early and I'm giving 1000 gallons of gas away. Mama Luigi's is giving a \$4.00 discount on your dinner check because there has to be a ray of sunshine now and again.

Bring this coupon in and get \$4.00 off your check.  
(not valid with other offers)

## Top Ten Things You'll Never Hear Dad Say.

10. Well, how 'bout that? I'm lost! Looks like we'll have to stop and ask for directions.
9. You know Pumpkin, now that you're thirteen, you'll be ready for unchaperoned car dates. Won't that be fun?
8. I noticed that all your friends have a certain hostile attitude. I like that.
7. Here's a credit card and the keys to my new car. GO CRAZY!!
6. What do you mean you wanna play football? Figure skating's not good enough for you, son?
5. Your Mother and I are going away for the weekend. You might want to consider throwing a party.
4. Well, I don't know what's wrong with your car. Probably one of those doo-hickey thingies--ya know--that makes it run or something. Just have it towed to a mechanic and pay whatever he asks.
3. No son of mine is going to live under this roof without an earring. Now quit your belly-aching, and let's go to the mall.
2. Whaddya wanna go and get a job for? I make plenty of money for you to spend.
1. What do I want for Fathers Day? Aahh -- don't worry about that. It's no big deal. (Okay, they might say it. But they don't mean it)

**Go Visit Your Dad**

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Mama Luigi's Extravagant Family Style -- A Feast for Royalty!

**Choice of Baked Italian Style Chicken or Roast Chicken:** This is our signature fall off the bone tender, juicy chicken specialty. We have guests that come back time after time and always include this chicken as one of their menu choices. **Choice of Roast Sirloin of Beef or Roast Pork:** The best of the best choice sirloin or delectable pork roast well seasoned then slow roasted to perfection for that melding of flavors you just can't get anywhere else. **Choice of Penne Pasta with Italian Sausage or Polish Sausage with Sauerkraut:** When it comes down to it, Mama Luigi's Italian Sausage is the best in Chicagoland if not the whole country. We've even shipped our sausage to a guest who re-located to England! **Mashed Potatoes with Gravy:** The real deal whipped with butter than an extra dollop added when serving. **Vegetable:** Fancy cut green beans prepared the traditional Italian way with all the flavor you'd expect. **Tossed Garden Salad with Choice of Three Dressings:** House made dressing of your choice to top a fresh garden salad with fixings. **Choice of Soup or Fruit Cup:** With a choice of homemade soups that are unique to Mama Luigi's your guests start their meal out with expectations of the wonderful feast that follows. **Rolls and Butter, Coffee, Tea or Milk Gelato or Sorbetto**

## Restaurant Review

### Good Eats: Mama Luigi's

By Steve Metsch smetsch@southtownstar.com May 6, 2011



Jim Talerico (right) and his wife, Victoria, own Mama Luigi's, which is managed by Ed Bala. | Joseph P. Meier~Sun-Times Media

**IN A NUTSHELL:** Once you visit Mama Luigi's in Bridgeview, you will want to return again and again.

**DECOR:** There's a warm, friendly atmosphere. I liked the large wine bottles used as decoration. And you can't beat hearing Frank Sinatra and Dean Martin on the sound system. **MENU:** Southern Italian recipes dominate the large and extensive menu, so expect frequent use of tomatoes. There are also steaks and ribs.

**PRICES:** With so much to choose from, prices fit all budgets.

**SERVICE:** Our waitress made sure we were happy.

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**WHEN WE VISITED:** 5:30 p.m. on a Thursday. **WE TRIED:** We made fast work of the calamari (\$7.99) appetizer. It was not too chewy and just right. The veal (\$19.99) was delicious. My wife enjoyed the scampi (\$19.99) and brought some home from her large serving. Our son devoured his favorite Italian dish, chicken Alfredo (\$15.99), while our daughter savored an enormous slab of lasagna (\$13.99). We couldn't leave without trying the tiramisu and cannoli. Both were delightful. **DRINKS:** There's plenty of wine, and Italian and domestic beer. Martinis are popular with a range of flavors. "One of them has limoncello in it, which is very good," co-owner Jim Talerico said of the Italian lemon liquor. **SPECIALTIES:** Each day offers a special entree. Every Thursday, for example, features lasagna. Tuesdays are for ravioli. "We have lobster ravioli, crab ravioli, a chicken cacciatore ravioli, and we also do an asparagus ravioli," Talerico said. Prime rib is available on Saturdays and Sundays. **CROWD:** A mix of young and old. All the tables were filled by 6 p.m. **VOLUME:** Conversation is easy. **BRING THE KIDS?** Certainly. **PARKING:** Plentiful and free. **SPECIALS OF NOTE:** The Royalty Rewards program offers discounts on meals as you rack up points, and alerts you via email about specials. Sign up and you'll receive a \$14 coupon for your next visit. A gluten-free menu is also available. **CARRY-OUT/DELIVERY?** Carry-out is available, but delivery is not unless the event is catered. **OWNER'S 2 CENTS:** "Amazingly, one of the favorite dishes of our customers are the barbecued ribs," Talerico, of Palos Park, said. "Once people have our ribs, they're hooked on them. They're fall-off-the-bone tender. It's one of those hidden pleasures." **HISTORY:** Talerico's parents, Luigi and Evelyn, started the business in 1948. Luigi built the lounge, and expanded the building through the years. The banquet room has space for 300.

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