

RETAIL: DELICIOUS FOODS ON OFFER AT NEW BAKERY

The best of Italian bread – from Lucan

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GOURMET breads, cakes and scrumptious Italian food are just some of what's on offer at Lucan's newest bakery and takeaway restaurant, Il Fornaio.

Situated in the Hills Industrial Estate, Il Fornaio is owned by Bruno Cinelli, who also runs another shop in the IFSC and Kilbarrack.

And, even though they have only been open for a couple of weeks, Cinelli says that business has been steady.

"We do cakes, bread and a wide variety of products. We have a restaurant franchise in the IFSC, and another on the Killbarrack road, and we are 12 years in existence.

"In Lucan, we have food to go, we don't have a sit-down station, but it is at a reasonable price. A cup of coffee is €1.75, and we have ready-made sandwiches, pizzas, meals that we can heat up or you can take home," says Bruno.

Il Fornaio originally started in the Lombardy region of Italy in the 1970s. From here,

the concept was adapted and exported to America.

Today, Il Fornaio is an internationally recognised brand, and has been developed into large-scale bakeries, restaurants, coffee and deli all around the world.

Bruno says it is hard to set up another outlet in the recession, but is adamant they will fight against the current economic climate.

"We are the people who will fight against this – if you don't do that, your business will go down the tubes."

Lucan unit

Bruno currently employs four staff at the Lucan unit, which is sure to be a huge hit amongst locals and business people in the area.

All ingredients used at Il Fornaio are of premium quality, sourced directly from Italy, and they promote a healthy, authentic Mediterranean diet by using no additives and no preservatives in their breads and cooking.

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