

■ **ST JOHN'S:** Unique dishes impress the judges

Spice Cuisine makes top 20 in curry guide

A WORCESTER curry house has brushed off competition from thousands of restaurants nationwide to be named as one of the top 20 in a national guide.

Ify Shah, manager of the Spice Cuisine, Bromyard Terrace, St John's, said it was the combination of unique dishes, a welcoming atmosphere, and value for money, which ensures that the restaurant has a loyal following of regular customers as well as attracting many other spicy food lovers.

Mr Shah, who works alongside his father and three brothers, said the restaurant, which has been ranked number 18 in the *Cobra Good Curry Guide 2004/5*, was opened in 1986 after a wide search to find a suitable location.

"The people in Worcester were the kindest and friendliest people," said Mr Shah.

"We have loved it here ever since and we will never move from Worcester."

Mr Shah, who is originally from the North West frontier of Pakistan, described

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the restaurant as a traditional curry house, which boasts rich colours on the walls and gives a welcoming feeling to customers.

"We give the best possible service and the atmosphere is wonderful," said Mr Shah. "That is why it is always packed out."

In just a couple of years time the restaurant will celebrate two decades in the city and Mr Shah said the staff already had some ideas on how to celebrate but would not comment any further saying that it would be a surprise.

"When the time arrives we can assure you that the people of Worcester will know that it is our 20th anniversary," he said.

"Worcester has given us so much it will be our turn to give something back."

■ Ify Shah, centre, with brothers Ibrar Shah and Israr Shah, with some of their tempting dishes.

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