

14 / 15 FEBRUARY 2020

כי שבט תש"פ

Shabbat commences at 16:58pm and terminates at 18:03pm
Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat at 17:00pm

Mazel Tov to Benji Nachshen on his Auf Ruf in the Minyan and marriage to Becca Burg.
We extend a warm welcome to their family and guests.

Following the Shabbat morning Services there will be a Kiddush in the Kinloss Suite sponsored by Susana Ross to welcome Dr Lu Steinberg, Dr Michael Schulder and Talia Schulder to London prior to Ilana and Daniel's summer wedding in NYC.

Friday Night

5:00pm: Mincha and Kabbalat Shabbat in the Deal Halls
D'var Torah by Rabbi Lawrence

SHABBAT LEARNING AT KINLOSS *Shabbat Morning*

8:30am: Sephardi Synagogue
Talmud Tractate Pesachim by Rabbi Heller

9:00am Maimonides : Laws of Fast Days and Fasting in the Deal Hall by Rabbi Dr Raphael Zarum

9:15am: Youth Breakfast Shmooze
with homemade cake for Yrs 7-13 in Benchers Cafe

10:30 -10:50am: Study Group with Rabbi Laitner
in the Rabbi's Office
"Covenant & Conversation on Parashat Yitro"

10:40am Food for Thought with Leora Salter
for girls in Yrs 7-13 meet @ Youth Flat

12:40pm Early Mincha in the Main Synagogue

Shabbat Afternoon

Daf Yomi Shiur will be offsite please contact
07521 149764 for address and time

3:30pm - 5pm Bnei Akiva

4:50pm : Mincha followed by Shiur
by Rabbi Laitner titled
"Daf Yomi review and focus, Berachot 37-43: the background to making berachot in the way we do"

6:03pm : Ma'ariv and termination of Shabbat

SHABBAT AT KINLOSS

HASHKAMA 7:45am

in the *Liora Graham Beit Hamidrash*, followed by Kiddush and a short shiur.

MAIN SYNAGOGUE 9:15am

led by Chazan Eli Sufrin. Kriat Hatorah by Robert Owen. Rabbi Laitner will speak.

THE MINYAN 9:30am

in the *Nissan and Rifca Deal Halls*. Kriat Hatorah by Neil Nachshen. Rabbi Lawrence will speak. Kiddush sponsored by Sarah & Neil Nachshen.

YOUTH SERVICE 9:45am

in the *Liora Graham Beit Hamidrash*, under the direction of our Youth Directors, Leora and Harry Salter

SEPHARDI SERVICE 9:00am

in the *Sephardi Synagogue*, led by Rabbi Heller and Reuben Gorji.

KIDS' MINYAN 10:45am

in the *Marilyn Newman Room* with Saul Elek

The Direct Connection

'You shall not make to Me, gods of silver or gods of gold, neither shall you make them for yourselves' (Shemot 20,20)

Why is this verse stated so soon after the second of the Ten Commandments only seventeen verses earlier (20,3)? Why is the verse formulated with reference to making such idols for neither God, nor themselves?

Rashi, (Rabbi Shlomo Yitzchaki), the premier Torah commentator, notes that this verse prohibits the construction of 'replicas' of any of the angelic figures in Heaven. He continues that this prohibition also relates to the human-like Cherubim which were to be placed on top of the Ark in the Mishkan (mobile desert synagogue constructed shortly the Revelation at Mount Sinai). They were not to be made of silver, to avoid the possibility of idolatrous intent.

Rabbi Avraham Ibn Ezra, another classic medieval commentator, explains that this verse prohibits the use of intermediaries in our service of God, and relationship with Him, such as the infamous Golden Calf (see Shemot chapter 32). Not only may they be misunderstood as idolatrous, but they also inhibit our ability to relate to God.

This teaches a crucial lesson about Judaism. God provides us with a system – the Torah, its study and Jewish law – which paves a path for religious development, for the service of God, and an opportunity to build a relationship with God. The path cannot be diluted by intermediaries or proverbial red herrings.

Why however are silver and gold mentioned as such a specific prohibition of idolatry? Rabbi Shlomo Riskin, of Efrat, Israel, suggests that gold and silver can be viewed, in certain circumstances, as common examples of obsession taken too far, as if the over- zealous pursuit of such items could make them into a 'god', overshadowing our commitment to G-d and the centrality of Judaism to our lives. Thus, the verse cautions us, so soon after we read the Ten Commandments, that while making the most of the precious opportunities in the bountiful world around us, we must keep them in their appropriate perspectives, focused on the ultimate path of the Torah.

YITRO STATISTICS

Mitzvot: 17 of the 613 Mitzvot, 3 positive and 14 negative
Verses: 75 (8th shortest of the 54 Sidrot)
Words: 1105 (9th shortest)
Letters: 4022 (9th shortest)
Haftarah: 21 verses (joint 31st longest of the 80 Haftarot)
Today's Shlishi is the shortest Shlishi of the Torah. The Ten Commandments are read in Shishi. Did you know that there are 15 mitzvot in the "Ten Commandments"?
The three shortest verses of the Torah are to be found in Shishi (i.e. Exodus 20:13-15).

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The Boundaries of Hearing

In my Wednesday Lunch and Learn shiur on “A Question of Hearing”, I explored some of the responsa which deal with hearing aids and cochlear implants. There are a number of issues which have arisen and, as with all emerging technologies, there is both an evolution of psak and an evolution of rabbinic mindset in psak.

Initial questions on hearing aids addressed batteries / switches and volume controls on Shabbat. Making noises and amplifying sound is a Shabbat problem (to the extent that it is preferable not even to use a door-knocker, which is a tool designed for noise-making). Early responsa questioned whether, even if a hearing aid was set and on before Shabbat, it could be worn outside an eruv. Some opined that, while it might be useable in the street where there was traffic danger or in the shul so that a service could be followed, it ought not to be used around the home – as the hard-of-hearing wearer was essentially safe. Even Rav Moshe Feinstein (Iggerot Moshe OC 4:84) suggested that it was preferable not to converse directly with a person wearing a hearing aid on Shabbat. They could be included in a conversation, but it would be better to answer them with gestures.

A fascinating article by R' Dr Shlomo Brody in Tradition (2009) notes that there is “hard stringency”, where we fastidiously follow the more stringent path and there is “soft stringency”, where we note that there are reasons to be lenient but then rule that the scrupulous should follow the stricter path. In so doing, he observes, we often de-prioritise sensitivity to kavod habriyot or the human condition.

Other fields of inquiry include the capacity of people who cannot hear to perform “hearing” mitzvot for others eg blowing shofar, reading the Megilla and Leining Parashat Zachor.

Cochlear implants do not amplify existing sound for a weak ear



to process; they immediately convey the digitised sound into signals for the auditory nerve, into something the brain “hears”. They have the capacity to transform a completely deaf person into a “hearing” one.

An excellent article in Techumin (5771) by R' Nachum Rabinovitch explored the scientific and halachic ramifications. He ruled emphatically that the hearing through an implant was true hearing for the purposes of halacha – and therefore the wearer was not to be considered “deaf” in halacha. While he had preferences for how to manage batteries and the possibility that powering and using a device might cause an LED to illuminate/flash, he was more concerned that the wearer of an implant not suddenly become deaf over Shabbat and experience ensuing confusion, disadvantage or embarrassment.

The Tzitz Eliezer (6:6) addressing the question of muktzeh writes in a very beautiful passage “There is no greater preservation of

human dignity than removing the shame and indignity otherwise experienced by the hearing impaired due to their inability to hear when spoken to. One cannot describe the humiliation, shame, and awkwardness that is inevitable upon their entering the synagogue amidst a multitude of people, yet all alone. They are unable to hear that which is transpiring nor are they always able to respond when spoken to...” He places a high value on human dignity and participation. Without any derogation of Shabbat, he establishes a perspective where these values are protected rather than sacrificed in our commitment to stringent observance.



In the Journal of Halacha and Contemporary Society, Rav Herschel Schachter cites a responsum of Rabbenu Asher (d1327, Tshuvot HaRosh 21:8) concerning a town Eruv. The Gemarra (Eruvin 67b) told of a Brit Milah which was unable to take place on Shabbat because the two Amoraim (sages of the Talmud) Abaye and Rabba had not made a town Eruv, the boundary which facilitated carrying in the public thoroughfare on Shabbat. The latter thought it beneath his dignity to fundraise. The former was too busy in his learning to participate in such an endeavour. The Rosh “sharply criticises the leadership of a city whose official policy it was not to make an Eruv, despite the halachic permissibility of doing so. In this area, if the Tannaim and Amoraim saw fit to be lenient, it is sheer nonsense to be strict. Unnecessary strictness can only lead to profanation of the Sabbath by people who carry in a city with no Eruv.”

Where halachically practicable, there is a Rabbinic responsibility to support and resource an Eruv.

Our London Eruv saw great halachic minds resolve practical and council obstacles to enable carrying of necessities on Shabbat. It has enabled families with small children to come to shul and to socialise. It has strengthened neighbourhoods, with enhanced educational and kosher resources. It makes Shabbat easier for the different generations of families and takes some out of a “Shabbat prison”.

We would recoil from the thought of not conversing with a hearing aid-wearer or treating someone with a cochlear implant as of lesser halachic capacity. It behoves us to enable those who would otherwise be housebound to participate in the blessings of shul, of children’s services and Shabbat hospitality. This is not a reduction of religious standards. It is stringent prioritisation of *kavod habriyot*. The eruv is an historic halachic device that enshrines halachic values; incorporating sensitivity to the human condition and Oneg, the enjoyment and honouring of Shabbat.

I am keen to ensure that the eruv is maintained and that we can continue to enjoy its benefits. That entails upkeep and checking; all attainable at £1 per family per week. Please see the accompanying page for further details.

Shabbat Shalom

R' Jeremy Lawrence



LUNCH & LEARN ON WEDNESDAY 19TH FEBRUARY 2020

12:15pm - Parasha Shiur with Rabbi Vivian Silverman

1:00pm Mincha

1:15pm - Speaker - Rabbi Zeidman of GIFT
in the Liora Graham Beit Hamidrash



Cost: £5, payable on the door, includes a light lunch. For information or to book, please email Lucy on ket@kinloss.org.uk or 020 8349 5267

The summer season of Seuda Shlishit will commence on 2 May and run through until 22 August

If anyone is interesting in sponsoring a Seuda to mark an occasion, eg Simcha, Yahrzeit, etc
Please email dalia@hajioff.com

Monday evenings from 24th February

Monday 24th February, 8pm

Organ donation and Halacha

Shiur at the home of Eleanor and Mark - please contact the office for the address



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about you

MONDAY MATTERS

WILL BE HELD ON MONDAY
24TH FEBRUARY
AT 2.30PM

with Guest Speaker
NATI TARJANYI,
a Wellness Consultant
who will be speaking to the
ladies on health, keeping fit and
well, & what to eat

For further details please call
Jackie Caplin 07974 665 418
or Rochelle 0208 349 5263

**IYUN (ADVANCED) GEMARA WITH
MOISHE SAMPSON**

**After Ma'ariv on Tuesdays at
7:45pm**

An in-depth and analytical study of
Mesechet Beitzah drawing on the
writings of Medieval and recent
commentators.

ANIM ZEMIROT CLUB

Come and learn to sing Anim Zemirot. Our club
meets every Shabbat at 10.15am in the Robing
Room. Boys of 6 and over welcome
Led by David Lesser

Where are all the walkers, hikers and keep fit enthusiasts?

For those members thinking of joining the group walk for
the first time, we can promise you a most enjoyable and
exhilarating walk in beautiful countryside on
Sunday 23rd February at 10.30am.

Please contact Tony Korn on 07958 334 665
or tk66654@gmail.com for more information.

TUTANKHAMUN
TREASURES OF THE GOLDEN PHAROAH

SAATCHI GALLERY



Tutankhamun Exhibition at the Saatchi Gallery with Rabbi Lawrence

Produced by the Egyptian Ministry of Antiquities and IMG, and presented in London by Viking Cruises TUTANKHAMUN:
Treasures of the Golden Pharaoh unveils more than 150 original objects from the tomb, 60 of which have travelled out
of Egypt for the first and final time before they return for permanent display within the Grand Egyptian Museum which
is currently under construction.

Wednesday 1st April, group to meet at 1pm

Entrance to exhibition and audio guide: £28 Kinloss Members, £30 non-members.

Tickets are non-refundable.

To book, please visit www.kinloss.org.uk/tutankhamun or call Lucy on 020 8349 5267

WE URGENTLY NEED VOLUNTEERS TO JOIN OUR SECURITY ROTAS

Shul members - PLEASE join our security rotas for shifts from 11am onwards.

You would only be required for one hour every eight weeks, on Shabbat morning.

Please email securekinloss@yahoo.co.uk or call Martin Shiers on 07831 836 031 to volunteer and register.



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LET'S CARRY ON

Please support the Kinloss Eruv 2020 Fundraiser
www.kinloss.org.uk/eruv

For just

£1
a week

you can
provide
invaluable
support
to the
North West
London Eruv

The North West London Eruv has changed Kinloss life for us all. So much so that we now take it for granted.

It costs £45,000 per year to maintain the Eruv. The cost is split around the various communities that depend on it, with the Kinloss Eruv committee tasked with raising £7,500 per year.

These costs are a responsibility for us all.

We are looking for donations starting at £50 per family.

To donate please visit: www.kinloss.org.uk/eruv
or send postal donations to NW London Eruv c/o
Finchley United Synagogue, Kinloss Gardens
London N3 3DU



Professor Avi Weiss

Key Trends & Developments in Israeli Society & Economy

Tuesday 3rd March, 8pm

Professor Avi Weiss will provide the most up-to-date findings on key social policy issues in Israel, including education, welfare, labour markets, healthcare, and macroeconomics – and the demographic shifts that affect all of these areas. Find out how Israel's social and economic landscape has changed over time, how it compares with other developed countries, and how trends differ between Israel's diverse population groups.

The Taub Center for Social Policy Studies in Israel is one of the country's leading social policy think tanks. Based in Jerusalem, the Centre conducts and disseminates unbiased, independent research on the most pressing social and economic issues facing Israel. This is the Taub Center's most widely requested presentation and is considered a must-see for all those with an interest in the current state – and future – of Israeli society.



No charge, pre-registration is essential
To book, please visit www.kinloss.org.uk/taub or call Lucy on 020 8349 5267





KINLOSS YOUTH SERVICE - PARASHAT YITRO

9:15am - Breakfast Shmooze with **Home made Cake** and **Dvar Torah** in Benchers Cafe!

9:45am - Youth Service in the Liora Graham Beit Midrash

10:40am - Food4Thought for Girls in the Youth Flat with Leora!

All followed by a Dvar Torah and Kiddush!

**February 15th 2020
For Years 7-13**

Kinloss **Supper Quiz** **is returning!**

Sunday 29th March

Doors open at 7pm with dinner served

Join us for an social evening
of fun, food, raffle prizes and
an opportunity to display your
extensive range
of general knowledge.

- Pre-booking essential

- £25 per person

- Please book online at
www.kinloss.org.uk/quiz

- Or call Lucy on
020 8349 5267 for more details



Rabbi Jeremy & Mandy Lawrence with Edit & David Elek at the House of Commons
on Wednesday 5th February
at the United Synagogue 150 celebrations

MAZEL TOV - מזל טוב

* Sarah & Neil Nachshen & family on the occasion of Benji's aufruf and his wedding this coming week to Becca Burg in Israel. Mazel Tov to grandparents Dorothy & John Sadlik.



SIGN UP'S NOW OPEN!!

KINLOSS BNEI AKIVA SHABBAT HA'IRGUN

21st - 23rd February 2020
@ Finchley United Synagogue
Years 1+

SIGN UP: bauk.org/kinloss-hairgun

For more information or with any queries, please contact Zac or Adiel at bakinloss1@gmail.com

Walking Westminster Tour

Led by
Steven Jaffe



Sunday 22nd March

Britain and the Jews - a thousand years' history in a one hour walking tour around Westminster. Britain has had a profound relationship with the Jews and the land of Israel since Medieval times. Steven Jaffe's tour brings you face to face with some of the main players in that story. An insight into British Jewish history from the 12th century to today that will inform, inspire and shock. The tour begins and finishes near Westminster tube station.



Cost of the tour - £7 Kinloss members, £10 non-members
To book, please visit www.kinloss.org.uk/walkingtour or call Lucy on 020 8349 5267

KINLOSS NOTICE BOARD



9:45am Games Room in the Newman Room with Saul Elek
0 - 4 year olds with Sara Keen in the Kinloss Suite Foyer
Reception up to School Year 2 with Natalie Sommer in the Avram Nemetnejad Room (2nd Floor)
School Years 3 - 4 with Dina Ellis in the First Floor Classrooms
School Years 5 - 6 with Saul Elek in the Marilyn Newman Room
All Children's Services will start at 10:45am and will be followed by Kiddush
School Years 5 - 6 GIRLS ONLY 10.45am with Benjy Falk in the Welfare Room next to Sharon

Mazel tov to the children in our community celebrating their birthdays this week:

Amitai Jesner (11)
Louis Jesner (12)
Bobbie Clyne (5)
Lielle Field (9)
Zev Cohen (2)
Anushka Silverman (7)

Maya Levy (10)
Eli Taylor (10)
Nathan Samuels (10)
Adina Zinkin (2)
Maya Sosnow (6)



THANK YOU TO:

- * Security Team 4 If you have any queries, please speak to Martin Shiers on 07831 836 031, or email securekinloss@yahoo.co.uk
- * Rochelle Belmont and Dalia Hajioff of The Welcoming Committee
- * Kiddush Rota Team



Rabbi Lawrence in conversation

Wednesday 18th March, 8pm

A Senior Middle Eastern emissary, who has successfully served in various diplomatic roles, including in Beijing, Hong Kong, Washington DC, Jerusalem and London.



Free for Kinloss Members, £5 for non-members. Pre-booking is essential via www.kinloss.org.uk/inconversation or call Lucy on 020 8349 5267

We are looking for Kinloss volunteers to sit on a number of new sub-committees:

- * Building Development
- * Children and Youth
- * YP Development
- * Womens Leadership Group
- * Adult Education committee
- * Membership development

Please contact Shimon shimon.gillis@kinloss.org.uk and for which sub-committee

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR WELCOMING

If you are able to help, please sign up via www.kinloss.org.uk/welcomingrota

TABLE TENNIS EXTRAVAGANZA 29TH MARCH 2020 - 10AM - 3PM

Honoured to be joined by some leading international players who will put on show matches, and would be pleased to take you on!

For more details of this tournament or if you are interested in assisting please sign up on www.kinloss.org.uk/tt2020 or contact Stuart on 07973 712 730.




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NEXT WEEK AT KINLOSS:

DAY:	COMMUNITY LEARNING:	COMMUNITY PROGRAMMES:
SUNDAY	8:00am Daf Yomi (NR)	
MONDAY	7:40am Daf Yomi (NR)	10:00am Ilana Banana (DH)
		2:00pm Film Afternoon (NR)
		7.30pm Ivrit Discussion Group (NR)
TUESDAY	7:40am Daf Yomi (NR)	10:00am Friendship Club (DH)
	7:45pm Iyun Advanced Gemara (BM)	10:30am Bridge Club (PS)
WEDNESDAY	7:40am Daf Yomi (NR)	10:00am Ilana Banana (DH)
	8:30am Rambam with R'Lawrence (BM)	
	12:15pm Lunch & Learn (BM)	
THURSDAY	7:40am Daf Yomi (NR)	1.30pm Art Club (MN)
	7:00pm Student Beit Midrash (DH)	7.00pm Yiddish Course (MN)
FRIDAY	7:40am Daf Yomi (NR)	10:00am Ilana Banana (DH)
BC = Benchers Cafe BM = Liora Graham Beit Midrash DH = Nissim and Rifka Deal Hall		NR = Nemetnejad Room MN = Marilyn Newman Room PS = Persian Synagogue

KINLOSS FILM AFTERNOON "THE CROWN"
ON MONDAY 17TH FEBRUARY 2020 - 2:00PM FOR A 2:15PM START
Season 1 finishes on 17th February - no screening on the 24th February
Season 2 screening will be 2nd, 16th, 23rd, 30th March & 6 April
 The Crown traces the life of Queen Elizabeth II from her wedding in 1947 to the present. The second series covers the Suez Crisis in 1956 leading to the Prime Ministers, the Profumo affair political scandal, and the birth of Prince Edward. As the decades pass, personal intrigues, romances, and political rivalries are revealed that placed a big role in events that shaped the later years of the 20th century.
Cost: £3 Kinloss Members / £4 non-members - Refreshments provided

SERVICES (שירותים see front page)	Sun	Mon	Tues	Weds	Thurs	Fri
Shacharit 1	7:30am	7:00am	7:00am	7:00am	7:00am	7:00am
Shacharit 2	8:15am	8:00am	8:00am	8:00am	8:00am	8:00am
Sephardi Shacharit	8:00am	6:30am	6:30am	6:30am	6:30am	6:30am
Mincha		1:00pm	1:00pm	1:00pm	1:00pm	
Ma'ariv	Mincha/ Maariv 5:00pm	7:30pm	7:30pm	7:30pm	7:30pm	Mincha & Kabbalat Shabbat 5:15pm

THE KEHILLA WISHES חיים ארוכים "LONG LIFE" TO THE FOLLOWING WHO HAVE YAHRZEIT

Shabbat 15 FEBRUARY

Alan Martin Father
Alan Rubenstein Mother

Sunday 16 FEBRUARY

Farzaneh Amini Sister
Annette Bamberg Husband
Helen Barget Mother
Philip Bergman Mother
Harry Daniel Father
Ronald Dvorkin Brother
Yvonne Mocatta Father
Susan Rubin Mother

Monday 17 FEBRUARY

Stephen Arnold Mother
Alex Bassalian Brother
Andrew Bassalian Brother
Nahid Bassalian Son
Sheila Forman Mother
Alan Lee Father
Sandra Tauber Husband

Tuesday 18 FEBRUARY

Shirley Arkush Mother
Gary Bradley Brother
Geoffrey Bradley Son
Mark Freeman Sister
Sara Greenwood Father
Helen Kamiel Father
Bernice Kliger Daughter
Suzanne Oberlander Father
Julia Schneider Father
Josepha White Father

Wednesday 19 FEBRUARY

Barbara Bleiberg Father
Stephanie Ferster Mother
Gerald Gershon Mother
Alexander Langdon Father
Sarita Langdon Husband
Karen Leigh Mother
Nicola Lever Father
Ronald Rosenblatt Father
Heather Taylor Mother

Thursday 20 FEBRUARY

Susan Brett Mother
Aubrey Moher Father
Susan Shrago Mother

Friday 21 FEBRUARY

Renate Altmann Father
Felice Crown Husband
Elizabeth Feldmann Mother
Jack Ferster Father
Frances Glassberg Mother
Vivienne Mervis Mother
Roberta Sanford Father
Myrna Taylor Father



**CHATS 4 CHAPS AT KINLOSS
ON WEDNESDAY 12TH FEBRUARY
WITH GUEST SPEAKER PETER SUCHET**

TOMBSTONE CONSECRATIONS:

* SUN 23 FEB 11:00am at Bushey Old in memory of Harold Newman Z'L
* SUN 1 MAR 12:00pm at Waltham Abbey in memory of Norman Raven Z'L
* MON 2 MAR 11:30am at Bushey Old in memory of Eve Leigh Z'L
* SUN 8 MAR 10:15am at Edgwarebury Lane in memory of Stanley Ozin Z'L
* SUN 22 MAR 11:30am at Willesden in memory of Elizabeth Israel Z'L

FINCHLEY SYNAGOGUE USEFUL PHONE NUMBERS

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