



9 - 11 October 2020

כ"ב תשרי תשפ"א

Erev Shemini Atzeret and Shabbat

6:06pm Latest candle lighting (light a long-lasting candle)

6:10pm Erev Shemini Atzeret Service

5:50pm Sephardi Service

Shabbat 10th October - Shemini Atzeret

7:45am Hashkama

9:00am Main Synagogue

9:15am The Minyan

9:00am Sephardi Service

10:00am Youth Service

11:00am Children's Service - Reception-Yr 2 with Rabbi Laitner & Brandon Horwitz

12:00pm Additional Yizkor Service, Main Synagogue
(must be pre-booked in advance)

5:50pm Mincha with Kohelet in the Main Synagogue
Followed by Shiur by Rabbi Laitner

5:50pm Sephardi Mincha

7.05pm - End of Shabbat into Simchat Torah

After Shabbat finishes, say 'Baruch hamavdil bein kodosh lekodesh', daven Maariv, light Yom Tov candles from the long-lasting candle and make Havdala in Kiddush as set out in the machzor

CHAG SAMEACH



SHEMINI ATZERET
SIMCHAT TORAH

Sunday 11th October, Simchat Torah

7:45am Hashkama

9:15am Main Synagogue

9:30am The Minyan

9:00am Sephardi Service

10:00am Youth Service

5:45pm Sephardi Mincha

6:00pm Mincha in the Main Synagogue
Followed by Shiur by Rabbi Lawrence

7.03pm - Conclusion of Yom Tov
Maariv and Havdala



But Lord... I never could have imagined...

At Neila I shared an anecdote about the Governor of Texas, who had taken a road-trip with his wife and passed through the small town where she had grown up. They stopped at a petrol station, where the governor observed an exchange between his wife and the pump attendant. At some moments they looked unconventionally close. At others, they looked awkwardly distant.

As they drove away, the Governor remarked on what he'd seen, surmising that his wife and the pump attendant had once been intimate. When she said yes, he continued, "I guess that you're thinking – If I married him, I would be Mrs Pump-Man!"

To which she replied, "Not at all. I was thinking, If I'd married him, *he* would be the Governor!"

Who we really are, and what is our destiny is very much the theme of Kohellet (Ecclesiastes), which we read on the Shabbat of Chol HaMoed Sukkot or on Shemini Atzeret, when Yom Tov falls on Shabbat. In Israel, when there is no Shabbat of Chol Hamoed it is read on Shabbat at the beginning of the festival; and in Diaspora, on Shemini Atzeret. The Yemenite and Italian minhag is to read it on Shemini Atzeret.

This year, we will be reading it with Mincha on Shemini Atzeret (Shabbat) afternoon.

The book of Ecclesiastes begins with the words, "The words of Kohellet, son of David, King in Jerusalem." and is attributed to King Solomon, renowned for his wisdom. Its twelve chapters trace a journey from the pursuit of pleasure to finding meaning in life. Many things we might yearn for are dismissed as "*hevel*" (air, wasted breath or vanity). It concludes with, "the sum of all matter, when all has been considered: fear God and keep his commandments; that is man's whole duty. For Hashem will judge every deed; even everything hidden – whether good or evil."

In Greek mythology, the three sisters, the Moirai determined one's fate. Clotho (the Spinner), who spun the thread of life, Lachesis (the Allotter), who

determined the length of one's life and Atropos, (the Unturning), who determined the manner of one's death. Greek tragedy honed in on an inevitability.



Kohellet repudiates determinism. Life is rich with choice. Each act of choice will be evaluated and life in this world and the next may be recalibrated pursuant to our actions. Having explored, King Solomon warns that many of the choices we might elect lead us down an empty *hevel* path.

The Talmud (Shabbat 30b) and midrash (Vayikra Rabba) records that the Sages sought to hide the book of Kohellet. It has many pessimistic/negative verses, "And so I loathed life. For I was distressed by all that goes on under the sun, because everything is futile and pursuit of wind" (Eccles. 2:17). The Sages worried at the potential that it might be read as heretical and full of internal contradictions. However, working through its wisdom the contradictions can be explained and the message of purpose clarified.

We should view our lives as laden with opportunities to make a difference by exercising right choices, and – as the anecdote reminds us, we should recognise that meaning in our lives is not independent of the impact of others. Not only who might we be or become – but whom might we inspire? What opportunities can we create for others?

Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur both focus us on correct living, reward and punishment. Sukkot makes us aware of our surroundings and vulnerability. Kohellet is an excellent, if challenging Scripture, to bring these together.

Unfortunately, the last year has shown that no manner of planning guarantees outcomes. We may well be cheated of opportunities we thought would come our way. We continue to appreciate everyone who has created opportunities on a local and national level and everyone who has shown

gracious flexibility to help others and to help the community.

Our young people have suffered the disruption of schooling and exams, the frustration of confinement and curfews. Inter alia, Bar and Bat Mitzvahs were cancelled or severely compromised, often after a huge amount of preparation. While they were not at the greatest risk, their ability to go about life has been collateral damage in the protection of everyone else's. Slowly and cautiously, we have been able to restore some children's activities and services. Thanks to Jason and Brandon and everyone who is helping with those, as well as to Shimon, Harry & Leora, Natalie & Sara, who have also contributed so much activity online since March.

On Simchat Torah this year, we will be taking the opportunity to honour some of the Bar Mitzvah boys who missed out on their celebrations: Tomer Doctors, Dov Ellis, Eden Harding, Elli Morris, Alex Levin and Ben Rutland.

Our Simchat Torah will be very different. We will only be taking out three Sifrei Torah and the seven Hakaftot will remain in shul with circuits around the Bimah followed by leining. Samuel Pepys, who visited Bevis Marks on 14th October 1663 would not recognise it.



He wrote in his diary, But, Lord! to see the disorder, laughing, sporting, and no attention, but confusion in all their service, more like brutes than people knowing the true God, would make a man forswear ever seeing them more and indeed I never did see so much, or could have imagined there had been any religion in the whole world so absurdly performed as this".

We will have no disorder, sporting nor confusion. Nor are we allowed the singing, dancing, eating and imbibing, that normally feature in our celebrations.

On Simchat Torah morning, we will have separate Hashkama, Main & Parallel Services (pre-booking essential). We will only be calling five Aliyot. Those

listed above will be representing us as the new adults of the community. Of course, we will miss the festivity, the escorting of the chatanim and the throng of kids on the Bimah, that are minhag-hallmarks of Simchat Torah.

"In the beginning the Universe was created. This has made a lot of people very angry and has been widely regarded as a bad move." (Midrash Sofo HaOlam, Amar R' Douglas Ish Adam). Our Scripture teaches otherwise. Hashem saw Creation as "good" and Mankind as "very good". R' Shimshon Rafael Hirsch comments that given humanity is distinguished from the animals through the ability to sin, it must be our ability to choose whether to reject or to capitulate to temptation that adds the very to the good.

Rabbi Yehuda defended Kohellet because its beginning and its end exhorted Torah, even though the intervening pessukim explored a wide range of opportunities and emotions (TB Shabbat 30b).

May Hashem grant us both opportunity and discernment in the year ahead. We shape our destiny. While we end and begin a cycle of Torah readings in adversity, may we make 5781 a year of challenges met and accomplished to the best of our ability, giving fulfilment and meaning to ourselves, our families and communities, including petrol-pump attendants in Texas and diners in restaurants at the end of the universe.

Chag Sameach,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Jeremy Lawrence". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the left.

R' Jeremy Lawrence

There will be additional YIZKOR services on [Zoom](https://zoom.us/j/96506854925?pwd=MkJiT3lIYXAvMEZxVmtYYXZDZjhXdz09) on Thursday Evening at 7.30pm. Meeting **965 0685 4925** Password **Kinloss**)

<https://zoom.us/j/96506854925?pwd=MkJiT3lIYXAvMEZxVmtYYXZDZjhXdz09> and in the **Main Shul on Shemini Atzeret (Shabbat) afternoon at 12pm** (shul service booking essential.) www.kinloss.org.uk/yizkorservice

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Volunteers Needed

We are looking for more volunteers in the Shul to help welcome people, ensure social distancing and track & trace systems are adhered to.

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office@kinloss.org.uk**



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If you are in need, or know about anyone who could benefit, please contact Shimon initially on 0208 349 5264.

All enquires will be treated with the utmost confidentiality.



YIZKOR

**We will be holding 2 additional
Yizkor services.**

**ONLINE ON ZOOM
Thursday 8th October at 7.30pm**

<https://zoom.us/j/96506854925?pwd=MkJiT3llYXAvMEZxVmtYYXZDZjhXdz09#success>

**and IN THE MAIN SYNAGOGUE ON
Shemini Azeret Shabbat 10th October at 12pm
(please register in advance)**

<http://www.kinloss.org.uk/yizkorservice>

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SUNDAY 18TH OCTOBER, 8^{PM}



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MAZEL TOV - מזל טוב



Leila Sosnow, a pupil at Sacks Morasha JPS, was the winner of the Tribe Inter-School Model Sukkah Competition this week.

Leila's sukkah has been travelling around the Jewish Schools and will be displayed at Sacks Morasha JPS this Friday.

Mazel Tov, Leila!

Children's Services with grateful thanks to Natalie Sommer we have uploaded her **Children's Service Videos for Succot**

<https://youtu.be/bVo354Sze80>
<https://youtu.be/VvVRL6nwZIs>
https://youtu.be/wcN-KxE9_bM
<https://youtu.be/MOjZidMeMCQ>



Simchat Torah

This year's aged 4 – 8 Chattanim and Nishei Chayil were tasked with a project in lieu of their usual Simchat Torah presentations.

Please go to

<https://www.dropbox.com/s/h9f5ybdvrjyye9x/Simchat%20Torah%20Brochure%20Final.pdf?dl=0>

to download the brochure which Natalie kindly collated

The image shows two Torah scrolls (Torot) lying diagonally across the frame. They are made of light-colored parchment and have wooden handles (shema tags) attached to them. The handles are dark wood with a turned, fluted design. A wooden shema tag is also visible, lying between the two scrolls. The background is a plain, light-colored surface.

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**WE URGENTLY NEED
VOLUNTEERS
TO JOIN OUR SECURITY ROTAS**

Shul members - PLEASE join our security rotas.

Please email securekinloss@yahoo.co.uk

or call Martin Shiers on 07831 836 031

to volunteer and register.

Mazel Tov to the Children in our Community celebrating their birthdays this week

Evie Rubinoﬀ (10)
Tehila Horwitz (7)
Ezra Leigh (4)
Reuben Shaer (10)
Mia Eden (1)

Harry Savitz (8)
Jesse Saltman (2)
Seth Davis (11)
Dora Stone (9)



Booking system and how to access:

In the interest of health and safety we will be capping the number of people attending services. To book please go to <http://www.kinloss.org.uk/book>

It is essential that we operate a track and trace system on all those attending the building and therefore, individuals **MUST** book in advance online to attend. Bookings must be made in advance of 24 hours of the commencement of the service. If an option is not available, it is either full or no longer available.

Only members can book in using this system.

Individuals over the age of 21 must have membership separate to that of their parent(s).

To book to attend the Persian services,
please email michael@michaelhakimian.com

Seating: Unfortunately, allocated seating in the Main Shul is currently suspended and we thank you in advance for your co-operation.

If you are experiencing problems with booking, please contact the office by email on office@kinloss.org.uk.

Please do not attend if you have not received confirmation of booking.

SERVICES (שבת see front page)	SIMCHAT TORAH Sun See timetable	Mon	Tues	Weds	Thurs	Fri
Shacharit		7:15am	7:15am	7:15am	7:15am	7:15am
Sephardi Shacharit		6:30am	6:30am	6:30am	6:30am	6:30am
Mincha / Ma'ariv		6:00pm	6:00pm	6:00pm	6:00pm	5:55pm

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

Shabbat 10 OCTOBER

Spencer Davis	Mother
Gillian Joseph	Mother
Ann Korn	Mother
Donald Sharpe	Sister
Hazel Simler-Chippeck	Father
Anita Stewart	Son
Harold Stewart	Son
Sylvia Woolf	Sister

Sunday 11 OCTOBER

Alan Class	Father
Shirley Karp	Husband
David Pearlman	Wife
Norman Ricklow	Father
Eric Tager	Wife

Monday 12 OCTOBER

Jeffrey Bellman	Wife
Alan Levene	Daughter

Tuesday 13 OCTOBER

Denis Felsenstein	Wife
David Kass	Son
David Seres	Sister
Donald Sharpe	Father
Donald Sharpe	Mother
Zena Shattin	Father
Sylvia Spiro	Mother
Anthony Tischler	Mother

Wednesday 14 OCTOBER

Joseph Abrams	Father
Shoshana Baldot	Husband
Clive Chippeck	Father
Linda Cohen	Father
Susanna Joseph	Father
Hilton Mervis	Son
Vivienne Mervis	Son

Thursday 15 OCTOBER

Pauline Aminoff	Father
Sivi Harounoff	Father
Brian Hornick	Father
Anita Lichtig	Husband
Alan Lyons	Mother
Jonathan Lyons	Mother
Marilyn Morrow	Mother

Friday 16 OCTOBER

Cyddlar Adler	Brother
Daniel Cukier	Father
Huguette Cukier	Husband
Ann Marks	Father
Margaret Marks	Husband
Ruth Sulke	Husband

CONSECRATIONS Please note these are being held privately with limited numbers. If you wish to attend please call the family beforehand:

18/10/20 10:30am at Bushey New in memory of Trevor Grossmark Z"L
19/10/20 11:30am at Bushey New in memory of David Karp Z"L

FINCHLEY SYNAGOGUE USEFUL PHONE NUMBERS

Rabbi Jeremy Lawrence: 07501 895 124

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Shul Office: 020 8346 8551

Kinloss Cares: 020 8349 5263

Jackie Caplin, Safeguarding Officer: 07974 665 418

