

Shaarei Tefillah Weekly Newsletter

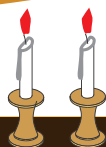
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בס"ד

פרשת מקץ - שבת חנוכה



Shabbos Times

Mincha	6:40pm
Plag Hamincha	6:54pm
Kabolas Shabbos	7:25pm
Candle Lighting (latest)	8:07pm
Shkiah	8:25pm
Shacharis	9:00am
Latest time for Shema	9:30am
Halocha Shiur	7:25pm
Shabbos Mincha	7:55pm
(followed by Seudah Shlishis)	
Shabbos ends	9:14pm

Goldberg Family Sefer Torah

This Shabbos we will be reading from our new Sefer Torah for the first time. Come join us for this special occasion. The Droscha will take place before leining. The kiddush is being put on in appreciation of David Goldberg and his family.

Seudah Shlishis

Rabbi Berlin and his family will be making a siyum at Seudah Shlishis to mark the 1st Yahrzeit of HaRav Mendel Weinbach Zt'l.

Shaarei Youth

Shabbos Afternoon Groups

Boys Grade 1 - 3 @6:15 - 7:15pm

At the home of Family I Teller

Boys Grade 4 Up - @6:15 - 7:15pm

At the home of Family Lang

Please drop off and pick up from Shaarei

Learning with Madrichim 7:25pm

Boys Seudah Shlishis

After Mincha

Wednesday Night Learning

7:30pm followed by Maariv

Shaarei Summer Day Camp
Please Note - Dates of day camp
will be 19th - 24th Jan

Halocha from the Daf

Honouring the Kohen

The Gemorah in Yoma tells us that the Kohen Gadol offers up korbanos first and takes the first portion.

The Kesef Mishna writes that in the opinion of Rambam the Kohen Gadol has the first right to take the nicest portion, even when he did not officiate at its service. This is similar to the honour that non-kohanim must show Kohanim based on the Mitzvah of וקדשתו - "and you shall sanctify him." Nonetheless, there is a difference between these two cases. The mitzvah to honour the Kohen Gadol is a mitzvah to honour the person himself, whereas the obligation to honour Kohanim refers to the collective group of Kohanim and not necessarily a specific person. Therefore, according to some Poskim if there is one serving plate, non-kohanim only have to defer to one Kohen because once they have deferred to a Kohen they have fulfilled their duty to honour Kohanim. Once the mitzvah is fulfilled they do not have to allow all of the Kohanim to take before them. Similarly, there are Poskim who are of the opinion that blemished Kohanim or Kohanim who are minors are considered Kohanim for the mitzvah of "and you shall sanctify him." Although they are not fit to work in the Beis HaMikdash the mitzvah will still apply since they are part of the group of Kohanim.

Daf HaYomi - We will be starting Yoma 25a on Sunday

Shiurim and Learning at Shaarei this Week

Hilchos Bosor V'Cholov	Sunday Night 7:40pm
Halachic topics	Not this Week
Gemorah Megillah	Tuesday Night 7:30pm
Mussar	Friday - 10 Mins before Mincha
Daf HaYomi	Mon - Fri 5:45am
	Sun - 7:15am, Shabbos 8:15am
Hilchos Shabbos Shiur	Shabbos Afternoon 7:15pm
Halocha Yomi	Daily after Shacharis & Maariv
Shaarei Tefillah Library open daily - Everyone welcome to use this facility	

Davening Times this Week

	Shacharis	Mincha / Maariv
Sunday	8:00am	8:10pm
Monday	6:30am	8:10pm
Tuesday	6:20am	8:10pm
Wednesday	6:20am	8:10pm
Thursday	6:30am	8:10pm
Friday	6:45am	6:40pm

Something for the Shabbos table

Chanukah is said to be the 'festival' of the Oral Torah, so why is there no Gemorah about Chanukah? When it comes to Purim, Pesach and Succos there is a mesechta devoted to these Yomim Tovim but why not by Chanukah?

Rav Nissan Kaplan shlit"a suggests a beautiful answer: The Greeks did not try to destroy us physically, they tried to destroy our Torah - our identity. So, when it was time for Rebbe Yehudah Hanasi to write down the Mishnayos due to fear that the Jewish People would start to forget the Oral Torah, to some extent, the Greeks had succeeded. They had taken our Oral Torah and to a degree, reduced it. However, when it came to Chanukah, the time when we celebrate our success over the Greeks and their values, Rebbe Yehudah Hanasi could not let Chanukah be written down into Mishnayos, Chanukah had to remain as the Oral Torah in its unchanged form. So even though the Greeks succeeded in a way, by causing our Oral Torah to be written down, at least when it came to Chanukah, the 'festival of the Oral Torah', that would have to be learned totally orally without any Mishnayos.

This weeks Kiddush Roster:

**Yael Schneier
& Belinda Begleiter**

This weeks Clean Up Roster:

**David Kramer
& TBC**

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Chanukah BBQ

The Chanukah BBQ will take place
This Sunday (1st December) from 1pm
@ Murumbeena Park, Kangaroo Rd
For more information contact
Lanie Goldberger or Amanda Teller



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Rosh Chodesh Teves
This Tuesday & Wednesday