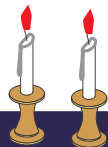




Shaarei Tefillah | שערי תפילה

פרשת במדבר



Shabbos Times

Mincha	5:02pm
Candle Lighting	5:02pm
Shkiah	5:19pm
Shacharis	9:00am
Latest time for Shema	9:45am
Daf Shiur	4:05pm
Shabbos Mincha	3:30pm / (followed by Seudah Shlishis)
Shabbos ends	6:03pm
Avos Ubonim	7:05pm

Kiddush

This weeks Kiddush has been kindly sponsored by
Family Roberts
on the occasion of
Jacob and Nathan's Barmizva anniversary

Avos Ubonim

This weeks Avos Ubonim has been kindly sponsored
by **Family Brett Cohen**

Interesting Halacha

Decorating the Shul with flowers

The Rema (OC 494:3) writes that many have the minhag to place herbs in shuls and their homes over Shavuos to commemorate the giving of the Torah. The Mishna Berura (494:10) explains that there was grass or herbs on Har Sinai.

The Magen Avraham extends this minhag to trees, writing that as we are judged on Shavuos over the fruit, the trees should remind us to daven for a good produce (See Shulchan Aruch Harav 494:15). R' Ovadia Yosef quotes midrashim to explain why people place flowers.

The poskim quote the Vilna Gaon who decried the practice of placing trees in shuls as it has become the practice of idolaters. Thus, some shuls don't place any plants in their shuls (See Aruch Hashulchan OC 494:6).

R' Ovadia Yosef explains however, why this isn't a concern and writes that this is an important minhag. Additionally, it seems that while the Vilna Gaon disapproved of laying out trees, there would be no issue with herbs and plants.

Shaarei Youth

Shaarei Girls Program
10:30am

Shabbos Afternoon Groups

Prep - 2 @4:20 - 4:50pm
Grades 3-5 @4:20 - 4:50pm

Seudah Shlishis After Mincha

Motzei Shabbos

Avos Ubonim

This Week 7:05-7:50pm

SPECIAL TREAT - Potato Knish!

Wednesday Night Learning
7:30-8:15pm

FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER

Years 7, 8, & 9
This week

Daf HaYomi - We will be starting Yoma 35a on Sunday



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Shiurim and Learning at Shaarei this Week

Monday Night - 9pm	Hashkofa Shiur
Monday Night - 10pm	Chovos Halvovos
Sun, Tues & Wed - 8:30pm	NIGHT CHABURA
Wednesday Night - 8:30pm	Meseches Brochos
Sunday - Thursday 7:30pm	Daf Hayomi (R'Levin)
Sunday - Thursday - 7:40pm	Brochos Chabura
Sunday - Thursday before Maariv	Kitzur Shulchan Aruch
Monday - Friday 5:45am	
Sun - 7:15am, Shabbos 8:15am	Daf Hayomi (R'Berlin)

Davening Times this Week

	Shacharis	Mincha	Maariv
Sunday	8:00am	YT	YT
Monday	YT	YT	YT
Tuesday	YT	YT	YT
Wednesday	6:45/7:15am	5:00pm	8:15 /9:45pm
Thursday	6:30/7:15am	5:00pm	8:15/9:45pm
Friday	6:45/7:30am	4:57pm	---

Something for the Shabbos table

Rav Yisroel Salanter points out that there is no specific date in the Torah for Shavous. The Torah just says it falls out on the 50th day of the Omer. There is a Machlokes in the Gemora as to when it can fall out, it could fall out on the 6th or 7th of Sivan, depending on how many days Nissan and Iyar are that year.

Rav Salanter points out that this hazy timing of the Yom Tov is to teach us that Torah is not dependant on time. We should not focus on one day, one time when we received the Torah. Matan Torah is every day.

Rav Hirsch says the same idea. He points out that there is no Mitzvah D'Oraiso specific to Shavous. We say kiddush and other things like we do on other Yomim Tovim, however we don't have a specific mitzvah like to eat matzah or to eat in a sukkah, etc.

Rav Hirsch explains that this is because we don't want to link anything specific to Matan Torah.

Other Yomim Tovim have this link, Pesach and Matzah, Sukkos and Lulav, Rosh Hashanah and shofar etc. When there is a mitzvah associated with the day we naturally focus our thoughts on performing that mitzvah.

Shavous is supposed to be a regular day when we are mekabel the Torah and just like a regular day doesn't have specific mitzvos so too Shavous doesn't. Our focus on Matan Torah should be for all our lives, not just on Shavous itself!!

This weeks Kiddush Roster:

NA

This weeks Clean Up Roster:

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Ladies Shiur

This Shabbos morning there will be a ladies Shiur given by
Rabbi Berlin
All ladies and girls welcome