



BAIS TORAH BULLETIN



פרשת תצוה - פרשת זכר - הדלקת נרות 5:21

February 22, 2013

יב ' אדר תשע"ג

ערב שבת פרשת תצוה

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| הדלקת נרות | 5:21 |
| מנחה | 5:30 |
| שקיעה | 5:39 |

שבת פרשת תצוה

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| שחרית השכמה | 7:30 |
| דף היומי | 8:00 |
| שחרית | 8:45 |
| סוף זמן ק"ש | 9:24 |
| גמרא שיעור | 4:25 |
| מנחה | 5:10 |
| שקיעה | 5:40 |
| מעריב | 6:23 |

MEGILLAH 6:55**

Second Megillah 9:00

PURIM DAY

Shacharis 7:45

Second Megillah 10:00

Mincha 3:00

Ma'ariv 8:00

Weekday Schedule:

Week of 2/25-3/1

שחרית

Mon,Thu 6:20,7:45

Tues,Wed,Fri, 6:30,7:45

מנחה - מעריב

Mon-Thurs 5:30

מעריב

Mon-Thurs 8:00

NEXT WEEK:

שבת פרשת כי תשא

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| הדלקת נרות | 5:29 |
| מנחה | 5:35 |
| שקיעה | 5:47 |

WHAT'S NEW

This week's Kiddush is sponsored by all those who participated in the Birthday and Anniversary Kiddush. Mazal tov to all the celebrants, and thank you for supporting our weekly Kiddush! The list of sponsors and celebrants is attached.

טעודה שלישיית is sponsored by Tzvi Sternberg in honor of his father, Dr. Yehoshua Sternberg visiting from Eretz Yisroel.

Parshas Zachor on Shabbos is **not before 10 AM**. There will be a second reading **right after Mussaf**, and a third reading **five minutes before Mincha**.

Pirchei for boys begins THIS SHABBOS February 23, Shabbos Parshas Tetzaveh. 2:00-2:50. BNOS from 3:00-4:00pm for girls. **Both are for Kindergarten - 7th grade**. For more information, please contact Mrs. Mendlowitz at (845) 357-1630

****Second Megillah reading in Bais Torah at 9 pm in the multi-purpose room Purim night and 10 AM Purim morning in the shul.**

Join us for the Gala Purim Party THIS Motzoie Shabbos 9 PM in the simcha room. Come in costume, great entertainment: badchan Rabbi Juravel, and Yossie Deutsch and his band

Matzah Pick-Up at the shul office, during office hours. CASH/CHECK AND CARRY ONLY.

The **Adult Education Committee would like to thank** Rabbi Yaakov Horowitz for a very informative and educational presentation this past Motzoie Shabbos. Kudos to Steve Fessel, Miriam and Allen Nussbaum, their granddaughter Sarah Adler, Sandra Thurm, and Malkie Zamore.

Come enjoy the live Shiur by **Rabbi Frand** Thursday night at 9:00 pm Everyone is invited to attend.

Bais Torah's 34th Annual Siyum Mishnayos is Sunday March 3 at 6 PM. Special Key-note speaker: Rabbi Tzvi Sobolofsky, Rav of Congregation Ohr Hatorah in Bergenfield, NJ, will present: "Between Purim and Pesach: A Torah Response to Miracles." For reservations call the shul office 352-1343 or Yussie Fischer 425-2785 or Moshe Kranzler 352-8410.

The next **Kosher Food Pantry** collection date is **March 11**. ALL CANS OF FRUIT SHOULD BE **KOSHER L'PESACH**. Bais Torah's commitment is 140 cans of fruit.

MAZAL TOV

Suzie and Gerry Kirshenbaum on the forthcoming Bar Mitzvah of their grandson, Ephraim Kroopnick.

Larry Seligson on the Bar Mitzvah of his grandson, Daniel Eitan Seligson, son of Richard and Rachel Seligson of Stamford, CT.

Arthur and Shirley Landau on the birth of a granddaughter, Sarah Socha Aschkenasy born to their children Robin and Eric Aschkenasy

Moishe and Eileen Frommer on the birth of a granddaughter born to their children Sara and Shlomo Rosenzweig

NICHUM AVEILIM

Leah Rovner on the petirah of her mother

Refuah Shelaimah

Katie Tannenbaum's grand-
son-
יהונתן משה בן דבורה טובה

Teddy Kallner-טודרוס בן הינדא

Henry Shapiro-

חיים מאיר יחיאל בן מלכה לאה

Manny London

מנחם מונש בן חנה פרידא

Bob Schore -

חיים ראובן בן הענדל יהודית

Tova Eizik's grandson -

שלמה יעקב יונתן בן חנה רייזל

Rena Rossman's mother-

שושנה בת לאה צירל

Larry Seligson-

אריה לייב בן רבקה

Larry Seligson's son-

רפאל אפרים בן סימא פריעדל

Ed and Helen Furman's

son in law
רפאל צבי בן עיטא לאה

Manny Mayerfeld

מנחם בן קילה

פנחס ליאן בן רייזל

SHIURIM

Women's Tehilim, I'zecher
nishmas Feigel bas Men-
achem Mendel, meets
Shabbos afternoon 45
minutes before Mincha

Sunday:

6:25 AM Daf Yomi
Rabbi Avromy Fein

8:30 AM Gemara Misech-
es Pesachim

Rabbi Yisroel Gottlieb

Sun-Thurs:

10:00 AM Daf Yomi
Rabbi Yosef Fischer

Mon-Friday

5:25 AM Daf Yomi I
Rabbi Avromy Fein

7:00 AM Daf Yomi II
Rabbi Yisroel Gottlieb

8:25 AM Navi Shiur
Rabbi Yosef Fischer

9:45 AM Gemara Shiur
Rabbi Leibel Reznick

Tuesday

8:15 PM Sha'arei Torah
Chavrusa Program

Wednesday

8:15 PM Navi Yechezkel
Rabbi Yisroel Gottlieb-

Thursday

8:15PM Women's Mish-
nayos class-

Dr. Debbie Raice Fox

Parashas Tetzaveh and Purim – Fasting and the Miracle

On Presidents' Day, I received a call from my brother. During the course of the call, he mentioned that he and his wife had attended a shiur on the subject of Purim, delivered by Rabbi Noach Oelbaum, Shlit"á. I asked what that distinguished Rav had said. My brother said that he had pointed out that while other public fasts, when involved in situations such as Ta'anis Esther is this year, are pushed forward in time; they are said to be "nidchim," pushed away, because we want to distance ourselves from "puronius," punishment. An example is Tishah B'Av, which recalls the destruction of both of our Holy Temples. When Tishah B'Av falls on Shabbos, it is "nidcheh," pushed ahead, to Sunday, whereas Ta'anis Esther is "mukdom," brought closer to us, as it is this year, moved back from Shabbos to Thursday. My sister-in-law said that Rabbi Oelbaum had said that in the case of Ta'anis Esther, the fast itself is part of the "Nes," the Miracle. How much more so, then, do we want to bring it close to us.

Mordechai initially rebuked Esther for seeking personal safety and, as it were, hiding behind the Persian law that she would face death if Achashverosh would not accept her. He said, obviously referring to Divine aid, because he used one of the Names of G-d, "Makom," the Place, signifying the Omnipresence of G-d, in referring to the Source of Aid, "*For if you altogether remain silent at this time, then relief and deliverance will arise for the Jews from another Place...*" (Esther 4:14) Esther is convinced, and sends a reply to Mordechai, "*Go, gather together all the Jews of Shushan, and fast for me, and neither eat nor drink for three days, night or day; I also and my maidens will fast in like manner; and so will I go to the king, which is not according to the law; and if I perish, I perish.*" (Esther 4:16) Commentators explain that Esther's request, "Fast for me" must have involved prayer as well, but the author of the Megilah wished to avoid any language which might necessitate the mention of G-d.

The Midrash gives the language of Esther's prayer, "L-rd, G-d of Israel, Who has dominion from Eternity, and Who created the World! Help Your maidservant, for I am an orphan, without father or mother. I am compared to one impoverished, one who goes begging from house to house. Likewise do I seek Your Mercy, in the palace of Achashverosh... Save Your flock from these enemies who have risen up against us. For there is nothing to restrain You from saving - from the many, nor from the few. Father of orphans! I beseech You to stand by the right hand of this orphan, who has placed her trust in Your loving-kindness. Grant me Mercy before this man, because I fear him. Cast him down before me, for You cast down the haughty." (Esther Rabbah 8)

From the time of my childhood, I had trouble understanding the transition from Ta'anis Esther to the Reading of the Megilah. For one thing, I was never particularly hungry after the fast. I always felt that there was something very special about this particular fast; perhaps its intimate connection to a story with a happy ending. Purim is also an immortal holiday, according to the Rambam, who writes in Hilchos Megilah (2:18), "All the books of the Prophets, and all the Sacred Writings will disappear in the Time of the Moshiach, except for Megilas Esther, which indeed will remain in existence as the Five Books of the Torah and the Laws of the Oral Torah, which will never disappear. And even though all remembrance of painful experiences will be blotted out, as it says, "*For the early pain will be hidden from my eyes*" – the days of Purim will never disappear, as it says, "*...and these days of Purim will never pass from the Jewish People and their remembrance will never depart from their descendants.*" (Esther 9:28)

L'Illuy Nishmas beni, Aharon Baruch Mordechai ben Pinchas Menachem

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In Case of Emergency The red Hatzolah phone is in the hallway on the wall between the rear washing station and the Simcha Room.

The defibrillator is in a cubby in the coat room opposite the Hatzolah phone.

Happy Birthday!

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| David Abramczik | March 30th |
| Shmuel Abramczik, grandson | March 31st |
| Avrumi Brickman, Lieder grandson | February 6th |
| Gavriel Brickman, Lieder grandson | February 6th |
| Fayge Deutsch | February 9th |
| Tamar (Gribetz) Feder | February 21st |
| Gershon Chaim Feinberg, Lehmann grandson | March 1st |
| Avi Fessel, grandson | March 2nd |
| Naftali Fessel | March 30th |
| Daphna Friedman, Fessel granddaughter | February 6th |
| Racheli Gelbein, Gordon granddaughter | February 3rd |
| Jennifer Greenblatt | March 18th |
| Florence Gribetz | March 3rd |
| Mechal Shoshana Herrmann, Kronenberg granddaughter..... | February 28th |
| Tamar Liora Herrmann, Kronenberg granddaughter..... | March 15th |
| Lynne Kohn | February 12th |
| Oren Korczak, Greenblatt grandson..... | February 17th |
| Barry Lifschitz | February 7th |
| Penina Lieder, Lieder granddaughter | February 14th |
| Shoshana Lieder, Lieder granddaughter | February 7th |
| Carl Markowitz | March 5th |
| Shana Markowitz, Kronenberg-Markowitz granddaughter..... | March 21st |
| Meira Saffra, Thurm granddaughter (Bat Mitzvah) | March 16th |
| Ori Noam Schloss, grandson | March 4th |
| Caleb Thurm, grandson | March 16th |
| Gabrielle Thurm, granddaughter (Bat Mitzvah) | February 23rd |
| Nachshon Uriel Weinraub, Kronenberg grandson | February 27th |
| Shmuel Weiss, Abramczik grandson | March 4th |
| Alan Zamore | February 1st |

Happy Anniversary!

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| Dovid & Hadassah (Lehmann) Feinberg..... | March 23rd |
| Aron & Yaffa Gordon | March 15th |
| Dovid & Yocheved (Kronenberg) Lisker | March 28th |
| Avi & Debra (Sapir) Srulowitz..... | March 18th |
| Sam & Rena Wilen | March 9th |

Mazel Tov and thank you for sponsoring our kiddush!

