# **Congregation Spanish & Portuguese**





# **Parashat Tetzaveh**





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TSOM D'ESTHER

MONDAY /LUNDI - MARCH 9 MARS: 6:01 A.M. - 7:23 P.M.

#### THE SPIRIT OF AMALEK LIVES! THOUGHTS FOR SHABBAT ZAKHOR. By: Rabbi Marc D. Angel

This week's maftir portion includes verses commanding us to obliterate the memory of Amalek, the classic archenemy of the people of Israel. Yet, the Torah also lists other peoples who oppressed the Israelites. The Egyptians enslaved us for centuries; the Edomites and Moabites harmed us--yet only Amalek is singled out for our eternal enmity.

Rabbi Yosef Sarfati, in his book Yad Yosef, offers a poignant comment. There are two kinds of hatred. One kind can be justified by rationalization. For example, the Egyptians hated the Israelites because they feared that the Israelites would multiply greatly and would join the enemies of Egypt in battle. Other enemies feared that the Israelites would overrun their lands. Even if these fears and rationalizations were unwarranted, the enemies of Israel based their hatred and anti-Israelite violence on some sort of justification. Such hatred, says Rabbi Sarfati, ultimately weakens, and can actually die away. Once the rationale for hating has past, Torah to command us to remember to be vigilant the hatred itself can dissipate.

There is a second kind of hatred which is totally baseless. This is the hatred symbolized by Amalek. Amalek offered no justification for its opposition to Israel; it had nothing to gain by attacking the Israelites. Amalek was imbued with pure and undiluted anti-Israelite sentiments. This kind of hatred, so totally unfounded and irrational, is much more difficult to eradicate. Therefore, the Torah commands us to be exceedingly vigilant regarding this latter kind of hatred, typified by Amalek.

Sadly, this irrational hatred of Jews has been passed by Amalek throughout the generations, up to our own day. There are those who hate Jews, hate Israel with a blind, irrational hatred. They have nothing to gain from hurting us and have no reason

to cause us ill. Yet, they seem to be infected with a disease of hatred for which they cannot be (or do not wish to be) cured. For them, Israel and the Jews are always wrong. Don't confuse them with

Rabbinic tradition teaches that Israel can defeat Amalek by strengthening our own spiritual condition. When we live according to the highest teachings and values of Torah, when we live in a spirit of love and compassion, then we undermine the forces of Amalek.

This is not a theoretical discussion. The Jewish community needs to mobilize itself to uproot the forces of Amalek in our world. Baseless hatred against us will not simply disappear on its own. Oppression of Jews will not suddenly come to a halt through wishful thinking. Rather, we need to utilize all legitimate methods available to us to help eradicate anti-Semitism, and to work with all people of good will who share our dream of a world freed from irrational hatred, bigotry and violence.

If Amalek is so evil, why was it necessary for the against Amalek? Wouldn't we have done this by ourselves, without needing any reminder? The answer is: People do become forgetful and complacent. If they themselves are not immediately faced by the crisis, they tend to believe that the crisis is not so bad after all. The Torah reminds us not to drop our guard, but to feel the immediacy of the challenge. Amalek exists. It is corrosive to the wellbeing of the Jewish people, and indeed to the wellbeing of a harmonious world. We need to strengthen ourselves spiritually. We need to stand up in every available forum, in order to promote the rights and honor of the Jewish people--and all decent human beings. In our eternal vigilance against Amalek, the Jewish people stands as a beacon of strength for the dignity of all humankind.

# **Shabbat Shalom** Start/Début 5:30 pm End/Fin 6:35 pm

**Services Schedule** 

**Horaire des Offices** 

SHABBAT, MARCH 7<sup>TH</sup>, 2020

**SHAHRIT:** 8:30

**Afternoon/Evening Services:** 

Minha 5:30 Seudah 6:00 Arvit 6:30

Havdalah 6:35

**Week Day Services** March 8 - 13, 2020

Shahrit Minha/

**Arvit** (הודו)

Sunday/Dimanche 8:00 6:30 Monday/Lundi 7:00 6:30 MEGILLAH READING 7:30 P.M.

Tuesday/Mardi 7:00 6:30 Wednesday/Mercredi 7:00 6:30 Thursday/Jeudi 7:00 6:30 Friday/Vendredi 7:00 6:30

KIDS' PROGRAM



EVERY SHABBAT 10 - 12 NOON

**DAYLIGHT SAVINGS** SUNDAY, MAR. 8 SPRING FORWARD 1 HOUR.





# **Quote of the Week**

Gossip is when you hear something you like about someone you don't.

> — Earl Wilson Aish HaTorah

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## Women's Health Prevention

**Guest Speaker** 

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Fourth meeting of our Book Review Tuesday, April 21st, 2020 @ 2:00 p.m.

All are welcome!

Reviewer: Lisette Shashoua Ades Title: "My Father's Paradise"

By Ariel Sabar



RSVP: sisterhood2020@hotmail.com

\$5 fee per participant



Tea & Coffee will be Served

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12:00 oʻclock noon Ing Chapel Spanish & Portuguese Synagogue 4894 St. Kevin

Costumes always appreciated



Canasta | Mahjongg | Bridge





GAME DAY

Bring Your Games

**Wednesdays** January 22 - April 1, 2020 1:00pm - 4:00pm

\$5 per session Sisterhood members \$7 non members



# Beit Hamidrash Helwani בית המדרש חלואני

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In Honour of Rabbi Cantor Yehuda Abittan

#### PROGRAMME DU BEIT HAMIDRASH

שיעור יומי

PROGRAMME QUOTIDIEN - HOK LEISRAËL Dim.-ven. après Shahrit - 45 min.-*Rabbi Maimon Pinto*  COURS DE TORAH
MERCREDI SOIR 19H30 - RABBI MAIMONPINTO

# PARNASS HAYOM

פרגס היום

#### Shabbat 11 Adar - 7 mars

Simon Fhima, à la mémoire de sa femme, Rachel Fhima '".

#### Dimanche 12 Adar - 8 mars

Alfred & Martha Lawee, à la mémoire de Nicole Landsman Pollack ז״ל.

Famille Chemtob, à la mémoire de leur mère, Camille Chemtob ז״ל.

#### Lundi 13 Adar - 9 mars

Famille Chemtob, à la mémoire de leur père, Nagi Chemtob ;"".

#### Mardi 14 Adar - 10 mars

Armand Mamane, à la mémoire de Isaac Abergel '''.

Ouri Ohayon & Famille, à la mémoire de leur grand-père, Albert Edery '''.

Selim Sasson, à la mémoire de sa soeur, Stella Sasson Perez '''.

#### Wednesday 15 Adar - March 11

Rouben Family, in memory of their father, Ovadia Rouben 7"7.

#### Thursday 16 Adar - March 12

Penina & Claude Helwani, in honour of the birth of their grandson, Walter Meir Helwani. Linda, Max, Eric & Daniel Amzallag,

in memory of André Supino זייל father, father-in-law & nono.

Supino Family, in memory of André Supino זייל.

#### Friday/Vendredi 17 Adar - March 13 mars

Wilma & Ian Mashal, in memory of Morris Abraham Mashal זייל.
Famille Bensimon, à la mémoire de leur père, Hanania Nissim bar Messod זייל.



# HALAKHA

הלכה

The Importance and Obligation of Matanot La'ebyonim

Strictly speaking, one fulfills the Misva of Matanot La'ebyonim on Purim by giving a small amount of money to the poor – even just a dollar or two – but since Matanot La'ebyonim is seen as the primary Misva of Purim, it is proper to give more substantial amounts. Furthermore, one should prioritize Matanot La'ebyonim over his Purim meal and Mishlo'ah Manot when determining his budget for Purim. One fulfills this Misva only during the day, not at night. It is perfectly acceptable, and preferable, to give the money to a third party who then distributes it to the poor.

SHABBAT SHALOM, RABBI AVI ESKINAZI

#### Join us for the Daf Hayomi Talmudic Class

Sunday - Thursday after evening services.
Presented by **Rabbi Shalom Abish** 

For more information contact Rabbi Pinto at rabbi@thespanish.org

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### SHABBOS, MARCH 7<sup>TH</sup>

Schachris 9:15

**Afternoon / evening services:** 

Minchah 6:30

WEEKDAY SERVICES March 8 - 13, 2020

	<b>Shachris</b>	Minchah <u>Maariv</u>
Sunday	8:00	6:30
Monday	6:30	6:30
Tuesday	6:30	6:30
Wednesday	6:45	6:30
Thursday	6:45	6:30
Friday	6:45	6:30

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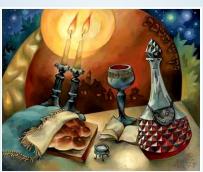
in memory of his dear wife,

Molly Erdstein z'l

and in memory of his dear father,

Joseph Erdstein z'l.

Shulamit & Simcha Foxman, in memory of her father, Rabbi Mordechai Singer z'l and in memory of his mother, Chaya Necha z'l.



Shabbat Shalom



#### NO OFFENSE-IT JUST MAKES SENSE! RIEN DE PERSONNEL-JUSTE DU BON SENS!

Wash your hands / Lavez-vous les mains ~ No Hand Shaking / Ne serrez pas la main Do not reuse your cutlery / Ne vous servez pas avec vos couverts



#### SISTERHOOD - MISHLOAH MANOT SPONSORS

We wish to thank Franck Nawawi as well as Rosette Rossano for their generous donations to our Purim Baskets.

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#### OUR CONDOLENCES TO:

The Hasson & Gaiptman Families, on the passing of Mireille Hasson Gaiptman z'l.

#### REMEMBERING OUR LOVED ONES

DEAR FRIENDS, WE HAVE TAKEN UPON OURSELVES THE HOLY TASK OF VISITING THE SPANISH & PORTUGUESE CEMETERY MONTHLY. AT THIS TIME WE WILL RECITE THE KADISH & HASHCABA. PLEASE JOIN US TO ASSURE WE HAVE A MINYAN. SUNDAYS AT 10A.M. - SCHEDULED DATES: MARCH 15 - APRIL 19 - MAY 17 - JUNE 14 - JULY 12 - AUGUST 16 & SEPTEMBER 13 - RABBI MAIMON PINTO

### VOUDRIEZ-VOUS VIVRE UNE NOUVELLE EXPÉRIENCE DE LA TORAH?

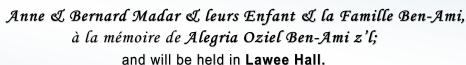
Le Rabbin Maimon Pinto vous invite tous les mardis à 19h30 à une rencontre conviviale dans le confort du Beit Hamidrash. Ce cours informel abordera un ou plusieurs des sujets suivants :

Le mysticisme Juif, les idées de la Torah, la prière, l'étude du Talmud, la loi juive contemporaine & l'histoire juive. Les prochains cours auront lieu les: Mardi, 17, 24, 31 mars.

#### **TORAH CLASS**

with André Rochel - Shabbat after Kiddush - Beit Hamidrash 1-2p.m.

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#### **OUR SEUDAH SHLISHIT IS SPONSORED BY/EST OFFERT PAR:**

Rami Dalal, in memory of his father, Isaac Dallal z'l; and will be held in Battat Hall.

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