# **SCHEDULE**

ליל שבת קדש

Candle Lighting 7:27 PM **Early Shabbos** 7:00 PM

Mincha & Kabalas Shabbos @Social Hall 7:27 PM

יום שבת קדש

Daf Yomi @Main Shul 7:30 AM

**SHACHARIS** 

@Social Hall 7:00 AM @Main Shul 8:30 AM

9:07 מ"א Netz –6:32 am | Sof Zman K"S 9:49- גר"א | Sof Zman Tefilah 10:55- אר"א

Followed by Kiddush

Mincha 2:15 PM Pirkei Avos 6:40 PM Mincha 7:15 PM

Followed by Shalosh Seudos

Maariy/Haydala (50min) 8:34 PM 1:00 AM

Slichos

**3/75 90/74** 

מזג האוויר בשבת\* **Ohel Moshe Weather** 

**CANDLES NEXT** SHABBOS - 7:16 PM

## **Weekday Tefilos** Shacharis

Sunday - 6:50 & 8:30 Monday & Thursday - 6:15 & 7:30

Tuesday, Wednesday, & Friday - 6:25 & 7:30

(M-F minyanim begin with Slichos)

1:45 PM Mincha Sunday— Thursday 7:25 PM Mincha/Maariv Monday-Thursday 9:50 PM Maariv Sunday-Thursday

**Learning Opportunities** AM Daf Yomi - S/S/M - 7:30 AM ~ T-F - 5:45 AM PM Daf Yomi - Sun.-Thu. 6:55 PM Smichas Chaver Program - Sunday 9:30 AM 9:00 PM Daf Hashavua - Mon. & Wed. Holy Machlokes - Monday 9:00 PM **Breathing Life - Monday** 9:10 PM Begging For More - Tuesday 9:10 PM Sefer Yonah - Thu 9:00 PM



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## MOTZEI SHABBOS SLICHOS

Divrei Chizuk - 12:45 AM Slichos - 1:00 AM

Weekday Slichos will take place 20 minutes before the regular scheduled minyan times.

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"More Than Just A Big Fish" with Rabbi Levi

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# אהל משה



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# RABBI'S MESSAGE:

# Repeat Performance

...you shall observe and perform them with all your heart and with all your soul (דברים כו טז)

Rashi interprets this verse in context of the mitzvah of *Bikkurim*, as indicating a promise rather than a directive. Quoting the *Tanchuma*, he depicts how 'a heavenly voice blesses [the bringer] him: "You have brought the Bikkurim/ first fruits today — so will you merit to bring them next year!"

The Jewish expression after experiencing moments of inspiring togetherness and warmth to wish one another that G-d should grant us "tzu derleiben iber a Yahr"— that we should relive this moment a year from now as well, is evidently an ancient tradition. Yet, it is only regarding the fulfillment of this specific command that we find an 'assurance' that indeed we will.

What is it that distinguishes it from all other *mitzvos*?

There is a fascinating debate whether this command, to bring one's first fruits in a basket, presenting it to the Kohen, placing it before the Altar and reciting the portion of *Arami Oved Avi*, that links the bringer of *Bikkurim* to our glorious history going back to the Patriarchs, is applicable during the *Sheviis* year.

Rashi in *parshas Mishpatim* seems to say that it does, while many others firmly assert it cannot be, averring that it is simply a printer's error.

Aside from the mainly *halachic* challenges to this position, the *Ohr HaChaim HaKadosh* asserts that it *hashkafically* impossible.

Shemitah, he states, is a year when the land is solely owned by G-d, as it is only given to Man for the six years prior. What significance, he asks, can there be in taking and 'generously' presenting the 'first fruits' to the Kohen, in testament of G-d's involvement in his success, when it is not even his in the first place?!

Generally, the bringing of one's first fruits to the *Mikdash* is an assertion of G-d's intimate involvement in all of one's accomplishment that reflect on our unique mission, that can only be achieved with His help. But within that acknowledgment still exists a sense of personal achievement.

Perhaps in a *Shemitah* year, when one brings *Bikkurim*, he is taking it one step further. We are not merely partners — with G-d the major shareholder — we are instead a son at his father's table, who simply relishes the privileged relationship of a devoted father, who takes care of all my needs, independent of 'my' contribution.

Rashi points out that after the command to leave the land fallow and untended, it mentions the injunction to keep Shabbos and to celebrate the Three Pilgrimage festivals. This is to emphasize that even during the

Shemitah year, that attests to G-d's total mastery of the world, one must still keep Shabbos and trek to the Mikdash during the festivals. One might have thought those observances are redundant, simply reiterating G-d's role as the Creator who remains in total control of His world. By refraining from work on Shabbos and leaving our homesteads exposed when traveling to the *Mikdash*, we are testifying to his control of our lives and all its consequences. Why the need for a triple testament during a year that proclaims so loudly our submission totally to His mastery?

Nevertheless, we do. It is because we are not merely interested in paying homage, we are yearning for His closeness! We want the warmth of a relationship.

Similarly, this may be behind Rashi's assertion that even during the Shemitah year, we bring *Bikkurim*. It is not about our investment in the land that needs definition, but rather our zeal and joy to sit at G-d's table that seeks expression by our joyously presenting these first fruits.

When one brings *Bikkurim* with that mindset, one is assured that the relationship will continue.

The Mishna describes how a 'man goes down into his field, sees a fig that ripened... he ties a גמי reed-rope around it and says: Let these be bikkurim.'

Reb Moshe Leib Sosover wondered why the איגמיל reed-rope, was selected. He suggested, that ג'-מ-ג' is an acronym for the phrase in Psalms: אדולים מעשי י-ק-ו-ק- Great are the deeds of Hashem.

We must not just pledge allegiance to G-d, we must step back and see the many wondrous ways in which G-d involves Himself intimately in every fiber of our lives.

We have lived through a difficult year, yet have benefited so greatly, and somehow thrived.

We must seek the relationship and cultivate it so that we too may be assured that just as we have merited to endure as we did in the previous year with all its complication, so may we persevere to merit a heavenly voice calling out to us "tzu derleiben iber a Yahr"— that we should relive this moment a year from now as well, in good health, happiness and inspired growth.

באהבה, צבי יהודה טייכמאן

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#### **REFUAH SHLAYMA**

Betzalel ben Shoshana Ora Nephew of Rocky & Bracha Caine

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On the birth of a
BABY BOY!!!

Mazel tov also to the proud Zaida Shaya Steger, and Aunt & Uncle Yakov & Lisa Shafranovich

Shalom Zachor tonight at 7512 Labyrinth Rd

Bris on Monday following the 6:15am Minyan.

Rabbi Jeff & Barbara Ifrah and Mr. Shalom & Sarah Jacob would like to invite everyone to the vort of their children, Aliza & Moshe 5-8 pm, Sunday, August 29 at the Baltimore Musuem of Industry 1415 Key Hiwy, Baltimore, MD

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