

MIZRACHI MATTERS

SHABBAT TZAV / PARAH 19 ADAR II 5784 - FRIDAY 29 MARCH 2024



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Mincha: 5:55pm – Beit Yehuda Drasha: R' Mottel Krasnjanski

Mincha: 6:45pm - KOD (Beit Yitzchak)

Drasha: R' Yehuda Chanales

Earliest time for Candle Lighting: 6:05pm (Plag)

Later Candle Lighting: 6:59pm Motzei Shabbat: 7:56pm

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Thursday 5 April:

Shloshim for the late Shloi Pushett z'l

Monday 8 April

Project Kesher – Tzitzit with Love

Tuesday 9 April:

Contemporary Shiur with R' Kimche

Wednesday 10 April

KOD Hasbara Session with Zac Gomo

Friday 19 April:

Pre-Pesach Friday Night Dinner

Sunday 5 May

Melbourne Holocaust Museum Visit

Tuesday 7 May:

Farewell Dinner for Rabbi James & Vicky Kennard

Sunday 12 May:

Yom Hazikaron Exhibition

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1. Beit Yehuda 2. Beit	t Yitzchak (Kehillat C	hr David) 3. Beit M	idrash (Beit Haroe	h Shabbat Morning	g) 4 . Bnei Akiva 5	. Elsternwick 6 . N	/lidrashah 7.Gol	dberger Hall
	Friday	Shabbat	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	29 March	30 March	31 March	01 April	02 April	03 April	04 April	05 April
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Shacharit	9:00am ; 8:00am ;	9:30am ¹⁻⁴	9:00am ¹	9:00am ¹	7:30am ¹	6:35am ¹ ; 7:00am ² ; 7:30am ¹	7:30am ¹	7:30am ¹
Dawn	6:19am	6:20am	6:21am	6:22am	6:23am	6:23am	6:24am	6:25am
Tallit & Tefillin	6:40am	6:41am	6:42am	6:43am	6:44am	6:45am	6:46am	6:47am
Sunrise	7:32am	7:33am	7:34am	7:35am	7:36am	7:36am	7:37am	7:38am
Sh'ma (גר״א)	10:27am	10:28am	10:28am	10:28am	10:29am	10:29am	10:29am	10:30am
Earliest Mincha	1:55pm	1:55pm	1:54pm	1:54pm	1:54pm	1:54pm	1:53pm	1:53pm
Plag HaMincha (גר"א)	6:05pm	6:03pm	6:02pm	6:01pm	6:00pm	5:58pm	5:57pm	5:56pm
Mincha / Ma'ariv	5:55pm	6:40pm	5:50pm	5:50pm	5:50pm	5:50pm	5:50pm	5:45pm
Sunset	7:17pm	7:16pm	7:14pm	7:13pm	7:11pm	7:10pm	7:08pm	7:07pm
Night/Shabbat Ends	7:57pm	7:56pm	7:54pm	7:53pm	7:51pm	7:50pm	7:48pm	7:47pm
Late Ma'ariv			9:30pm	9:30pm	9:30pm	9:30pm	9:30pm	
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	Baba Metzia	Baba Metzia	Baba Metzia	Baba Metzia	Baba Metzia	Baba Metzia	Baba Metzia	Baba Metzia
DAF YOMI	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37
Via Zoom & in person	8:15am	5:50pm	9:15am	8:15am	8:15am	8:15am	8:15am	8:45am
		Reb Leor Broh	Netziv Parasha	Parasha Shiur	Lunch & Learn	Tefillah Shiur with	Lunch & Learn	
		9:00am	Shiur with	for Ladies	with	Rebbetzin Kimche	Shiur with	
		Hashcama Shiur	R' Jonny Brull	R' James	R' Alan Kimche			
		R' James Kennard	Not this week	Kennard	1:00pm	8:45am	@ L1 Capital	
		9:30am ⁷		9:30am	Young Ladies	"Following in the	1:00pm	
		Drashot		Tzurba	Gemara Shiur	Footsteps of our	Moreh	
SHIURIM		R' Alan Kimche ¹		Communal Shiur	(20's-30's)	Fathers"	Nevuchim	
SHIDKIN		R' Chezy Deren ² R' Leor Broh ³		Not this week	R' Jonny Brull 7:45pm	11:00am Gary's Gemara	R' Jonny Brull 7:30pm	
		Shabbat		Sefer	Gemara	Shiur	Advanced	
		Afternoon Shiur		Ezra Shiur	chabura for	8:30pm	Halacha Shiur	
		with R' James		for Ladies with	returnees from	0.30pm	R' Jonny Brull	
		Kennard		Dr. Michal	Shnat		8:30pm	
		5:35pm		Kaufman at the	R' Jonny Brull		R' Chaim	
		Daf Yomi Shiur		Lewis's	8:30pm		Brisker on the	
		with		In recess	Parsha		Rambam	
		R' Krasnjanski		Gemara Shiur	HaShavua		R' Marcus	
		5:40pm		with R' Kimche	R' Leor Broh		Rosenberg	
				8:30pm	8:30pm		8:30pm	
MISHNAH	Nedarim	Nedarim	Nedarim	Nedarim	Nedarim	Nedarim	Nedarim	Nedarim 11:12
YOMIT	10:6-7	10:8-11:1	11:2-3	11:4-5	11:6-7	11:8-9	11:10-11	Nazir 1:1
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EVENTS		Bnei Akiva		OFFICE			Shloshim for the	
		5:30pm		CLOSED.			late Shloi	
		Seudah Shlishit					Pushett z'l	
		Rabbi Yehuda Chanales & Rav					7:30pm Chill & Cholent	
		Yishai Singer,					9:30pm	
		Directors of Lifnai						1
		Vlifnim Olami						
YAHRZEITS	Barry Kave (Mother)						David Prins (Father)	
	(WOUTEL)						Peter Weiss	
							(Mother)	

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FROM OUR PRESIDENT

BENJI JOTKOWITZ

In this week's Parsha Vayikra, we are introduced to the intricate laws of sacrifices and offerings. Among the various types of offerings detailed, one common thread emerges – the act of giving.

The Torah teaches us that giving is not merely a matter of transferring possessions from one hand to another; it is a deeply spiritual act that



connects us to both to Hashem and our fellow human beings. When Bnei Yisrael brought their offerings to the Bet Hamikdash, they weren't just fulfilling a ritual obligation; they were expressing their gratitude, devotion, and commitment to G-d. They understood that giving of themselves was a fundamental aspect of their relationship Hashem. In our own lives, we can learn from this profound lesson. Giving is not limited to material offerings; it encompasses all forms of generosity – giving of our time, our talents, and our love. Whether it is volunteering, lending a listening ear to a friend in need, or simply offering a kind word to brighten someone's day, every act of giving has the power to make a difference.

Furthermore, Parashat Vayikra teaches us that giving is a two-way street. Just as Bnei Yisrael received blessings and atonement through their offerings, we too receive blessings when we give of ourselves wholeheartedly. Our acts of generosity not only benefit those we help but also enrich our own lives in ways we may not even realise.

As we reflect on the teachings of the parsha, let us embrace the spirit of giving in all its forms. Let us be mindful of the opportunities to extend kindness and compassion to others, knowing that through our acts of generosity, we strengthen our connection to Hashem and contribute to the betterment of the world around us.

These acts of communal giving were once again strongly displayed over Purim as we came together to celebrate. The events & programs committee delivered a most wonderful "White Night" party for literally hundreds of members which brought the simcha of Purim to Mizrachi.

My sincere Hakarat Hatov to Pnina Tepper-Adler and the women's engagement committee for ensuring that 130 women and girls could experience a first a Mizrachi Melbourne - a women's megillah reading in the Goldberger Hall. Thank you to the very talented Baalot Kriyah - Elli Wyman, Michal Bloch-Herz, Migi Daveney, Sarah Winthrope, Aviya Wiener, Pnina Tepper-Adler, Elisa Steinberg, Ella New and Amelia Hirschfield.

The festivities continued with an amazing carnival at Yavneh and the KOD seudah which was a big success. Many dropped in for a l'chaim at the Kimche's home together with the Brull's and the Tzevet also hosted a lovely seudah. Thank you to all those who gave so much of their time and energy to make it such a wonderful chag.

The shule gabbaim are always exploring ways to increase minyan attendance and participation for both men and women. The initiative was to offer two Friday night minyanim at the same time, one with increased singing and the other more regular style to cater for different preferences. Over the last few weeks however the numbers have been lower and it has been decided to revert back for now to the model of one minyan in Bet Yehuda and KOD will offer their own minyan. We will reexplore our Friday night tefillah offerings down the track as the clocks are next week going back.

The thirty days leading up to Pesach have special significance in halachic literature. The Gemara in Pesachim states that there is an obligation to begin the study of the laws of Pesach thirty days prior. There will be a number shiurim available in the Beit Midrash & Midrasha in the lead up and to assist with preparations, and please also sign-up to our pre-Pesach Friday night dinner hosted by the Kimche's and Brull's for the community. It promises to be a wonderful evening.

Mazel Tov to Mina & Fred Grossman on the forthcoming wedding of their daughter Tali to Miky Lewin. Mazel Tov also to Akiva and Rachel Epstein on the birth of their baby boy.

Well done to Talia Bolton on producing another entertaining Purim Spiel, now appropriately named after the late Elaine Bloch. "Les Mizrachi" showcased a range of community talent with all profits raised sent to Emunah in Israel. Like the final song in Act 1 rings true "I still call Mizrachi home".

Shabbat Shalom



GUEST SPEAKER

RAV YEHUDA CHANALES

DIRECTOR OF LIFNAI VLIFNIM OLAMI

Rav Yehuda Chanales, a leader in Jewish education, developed Lifnai Vlifnim's North American program. Both a graduate of Yeshivat Har Etzion and Yeshiva University, he now directs Yeshiva University's Chinuch Incubator, teaches at Maayanot High School, and holds a Certificate in Advanced Educational Leadership from Harvard University. Recognised with awards like the Wexner Field Fellowship and the Kohelet Prize, he resides in Teaneck, NJ, with his family.

KOD MINYAN
MINCHA/KABBALAT SHABBAT - 6:45PM
SPEECH FOLLOWING KABBALAT SHABBAT



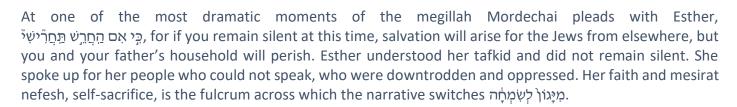
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TORAH TIDBITS

DANIEL BRAVER

This week we read Megillat Esther as we do on Purim every year. But this year was different. The words leapt from the page and the narrative was all too real. This was not a story of something that happened a long time ago but something current and contemporary. The striking similarities between the Purim story and our world since





This week's Parshah begins with Hashem telling Moshe to command (צֵּוֹ) Aaron regarding the burnt offering. The word Tzav is used in contrast to 'אמָר' or 'דַבֵּר' which have been used in reference to offerings up until this point. Chazal explain that this term is used to highlight the commitment required of the Cohanim to observe such particularly financially onerous commandments. The Cohanim forwent their regular means of making a living to bring offerings where the meat was completely burnt, no part saved for themselves. The Parshah ends with "and Aaron and his sons did all the things that Hashem commanded through Moshe". Aaron and his sons knew their tafkid and they fulfilled it zealously and with enormous sacrifice. In this case, sacrifice of their physical, material wealth in pursuit of increased spirituality and closeness with Hashem.

Earlier this week, Amit Sousanna released a statement about her ordeal in Hamas captivity. President Herzog said Amit, "speaks for all those who cannot speak". IDF spokesman Daniel Hagari said, "Amit's courage and her choice to share this difficult testimony with the world is worthy of deep appreciation. Amit is a true hero." Whilst the mesirat nefesh of Esther, who spoke up, is different to the sacrifices of Aaron who did everything Hashem asked of him- both demand that at this time (בָּעֵת הַזֹּאָת) we too take action, make a sacrifice, effect change, give a little more. We may not all be as brave as Amit but let Amit's act of bravery and sacrifice be an example to us and our inspiration to be the fulcrum to cross מֵּאֶבֶּל לִיִּנִים עִּוֹב .





OUR PURIM SURPRISE

REBBETZIN VIA KIMCHE

So if Ozzie land is 'Down-Under', we came from 'Up-Over'. And we were wondering what Purim would be like in this Ozzy Town.

What to expect? Especially at a time when things are so concerning for Jews all over the world, and especially in Israel.



What a great surprise!!!

Purim here was just GREAT.

Mizrachi was pumping - all the minyanim were full to bursting, everyone was focused on the Megilla, layning was attended to seriously, Haman was properly destroyed and Team Esther/Mordechai saved the day -again. And everyone was happy about that and in great spirits.

At times like these, when the Hamans of this world are again rearing their ugly heads - we get strength from the story of Mordechai and Esther, and the directive has gone out from Israel that the only answer is to be besimcha - to proudly celebrate our beliefs and our heritage. Netsach Yisrael loh yeshaker! LENATSEACH!

So in this spirit, there were many things to enjoy and lift our spirits (with lots of spirits $\ ^{\circ}$)

The White Night party was truly delightful, with the entire kehilla (as in לך כנוס כל היהודים) eating, drinking and making merry together as we should.

In the morning again all the minyanim read the Megilla beautifully-and during the day many wonderful and successful parties and seudot were being held.

We were told that the Yavneh Purim party was outstanding and amazing, loads of kids and parents got a real 'Ta'am shel Purim', with Megilla, great activities, rides and excellent food.

The drop-in at the Rabbis' house was also a big success and well attended, with lots of people meeting, greeting and eating in friendship and just enjoying each other's company. We felt the warmth of the whole community and the joy of celebrating the yomtov together.

The Bnei se'uda was equally wonderful and well attended, and the drop-in se'uda at the house of the bachurim was also a big hit, especially with the younger people.

There were lots of other private parties going on, as well as an engagement, so simchas galore!

The entire day had a really festive feel, as did the streets of Caulfield where you could see cowboys and spacemen, princesses and dinosaurs - and lots of happy music blaring.

People running around with beautiful mishloach manot, dancing and singing in the streets and in many houses.



But the nicest surprise for me was the Women's Megilla reading in the Goldberger Hall.

It was done beautifully, melodiously, respectfully, even uplifting. And halacha was never compromised.

It seemed appropriate that the tale, which took place at a time and place, 2400 hundred years ago, when parties were held at separate venues for men and women, was retold to us by women for women. This felt like a woman's party, in honour of Esther Hamalka who played the pivotal role in saving our Nation.

And everyone was so happy to be there, together celebrating our Jewish heritage, our strength and our wisdom, and upholding the tradition.

And giving strength to each other and the next generations.

So a huge thank you to all who worked so hard to make this into a special, uplifting and memorable Purim - here at Mizrachi - Downunder.

A personal thank you for all the cards, mishloach manot and warm friendship that we have received and keep on receiving. We feel grateful and honoured to have landed in this nice community.

May the ruach of Purim give strength to all of Am Yisrael.

And may we celebrate next Purim, not under a cloud but in true simcha for all of Am Yisrael.



MAZAL TOV

Rachel & Akiva Epstein on the birth of their son.

Mazal tov to his grandparents: Chaya & Eitan Epstein & Lisa & Stan Fuchs.

Tali Grossman & Miky Lewin on their forthcoming wedding.

Mazal tov to their parents: Mina & Fred Grossman and Judy & Yona Lewin

Happy Birthday:

Shabbat 30 March: Sarah Gochin **Monday 1 April:** Alissa Burman

Tuesday 2 April: Ian Ludski, Yoni Garfield, Alan Lotzoff (HBD)
Wednesday 3 April: Jerrold Lichtig, Nom Orelowitz, Rachel Shnider

Thursday 4 April: Beverley Lichtig

Friday 5 April: Avital Greenberger, Orlee Schneeweiss

Bar / Bat Mitzvah Anniversaries:

Robert Lissauer, Shimi Lowinger, Joel Parasol, Ari Schachna (Parah)



RIDDLE OF THE WEEK

REB LEOR BROH

Riddle for Tzav

I am one of a set mentioned in Tzav, but the only one appearing in the singular form. What am I?

Riddle for last week (Vayikra)

I appear as the initials of three consecutive words. What are they?

Answer:

The word for I is אני and appears as the initials of the following three words:

"If a leader sins - אֵשֶׁר נַשִּׂיא יֵחֱטָא (4:22)

R' Dovid Moshe Moskovitz in his **Tzohar LaTeivah** quotes R' Nota from Chelm who explains the connection as follows. The prophet Yeshayahu in Chapter 47 describes Hashem's anger and vengeance against Bavel. In 47:8 Hashem declares:-

....... אָמְעִי־זאֹת עֲדִינָה הַיּוֹשֶׁבֶת לָבֶטַח הָאֹמְרָה בִּלְבָבָהּ <mark>אֵנִי</mark> וְאַפְסִי עוֹד....... Now hear this O pampered one, who dwells securely, who says in her heart "Only I and none but me"!

The word אֲנִי is used by Yeshayahu to describe the feeling of arrogance and smugness on the part of Bavel, who will ultimately bear the brunt of Hashem's anger.

The hint to the same word بعدد in the verse in Vayikra similarly indicates that a feeling of arrogance and smugness can result in even the leader sinning.

In contrast, **Chida** in his **Chomat Anoch** explains that the hint to the word بِعِدْن is a reference to Hashem who declares "I am ready to reward if he does Teshuvah".

















































































































Women's Megillah Reading @ MIZRACHI











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CONTEMPORARY ISSUES BASED ON CLASSICAL TEXTS

DISCUSS AND LEARN EVENING FOR 30-50'S
WITH RABBI KIMCHE

TUESDAYS @ 8PM

TUESDAY 20TH FEB

UNDERSTANDING THE JOURNEY OF THE NESHAMA

TUESDAY 5TH MARCH

IF G-D KNOWS EVERYTHING. WHY DO WE DAVEN?

TUESDAY 19TH MARCH

PURIM AND THE CURRENT RISE IN ANTI-SEMITISM

TUESDAY 9TH APRIL

PRE-PESACH EDITION

KOD (BEIT YITZCHAK)







PRE-PESACH SHABBAT DINNER



Please join

Rabbi and Rebbetzin Kimche and Rabbi and Rebbetzin Brull for your **pre-Pesach Shabbat Dinner**

FRIDAY 19 APRIL CATERED 3 COURSE MEAL | KIDS ENTERTAINMENT

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Let's come together to support them during this challenging period. To donate to this worthy cause, and our Maot Chitim Pesach Appeal scan the QR Code or donate on line: charity.mizrachi.com.au



JOIN US TO FAREWELL AND THANK

Rabbi James & Vicky Kennard

Tuesday 7 May 2024

AUSSIE STYLE DINNER
COCKTAILS - 6:30PM
DINNER - 7:00PM
LAMM HALL - 2 NAGLE AVENUE

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MELB URNE HOLOCAUST MUSEUM



בס"ד

Yom Hashoah -Melbourne Holocaust Museum

Private tour for groups to attend the Melbourne Holocaust Museum.

Sunday 5 May

Session 1: 10 - 11am

Session 2: 3 - 4pm SOLD OUT

Admission: \$28 per person

Please email events@mizrachi.com.au to reserve and pay for your spot.







SAVE THE DATE

SHABBAS IN THE SNOW

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More details to follow





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Unveiling the Roots: Covering
Pre-State to '66

with Noah Epstein Head of JLife & Learning

Wednesday 20 March | 7:30pm

20 MAR

Navigating Complexities: Covering '67 to Gaza Disengagement

25 MAR with Shula Lazar College Principal

Monday 25 March | 7:30pm





Reflections & Israel's Future:
Covering Oct 7 & where to from here?

with Rabbi Noam Sendor Secondary Jewish Studies

Wednesday 3 April | 7:30pm

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RSVP: Online registration is essential:

https://tinyurl.com/Series-of-Hasbara

Men & Women welcome. Spaces are limited.

Venue: To be provided on the day of event.

Contact: foundation@yavneh.vic.edu.au



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SUNDAY, 7 April 2024

יום ראשון פרשת תזריע, כ״ח אדר כ תשפ״ד

11:30AM

PROCESSION & PARADE WITH LIVE MUSIC

DEPARTING FROM 25 FOSBERY AVENUE, CAULFIELD NORTH

12:30PM

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Mizrachi is partnering with Chessed Chaim and Emmet to offer you the opportunity to personally commemorate and eternalize the memory of the holy ones who have lost their lives since Simchat Torah.

Since the outbreak of the war, we have lost over 1,400 brothers and sisters. The Kaddish L'kol Kadosh project arranges for individuals to recite Kaddish for each of the fallen each day for the entirety of the year.

Over 500 of the fallen have not yet been assigned someone to say Kaddish for them through this project. To register, please fill out the form at the link below.

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