

SHABBAT MATTERS

<b>Friday February 1</b> 5:07 pm Candle Lighting 5:15 pm Mincha	<b>Shabbat, February 2</b> 7:30 am Hashkama Minyan 8:15 am Chumash-Rashi Shiur with Melech Halberstadt	10:00 am Teen Minyan 4:55 pm Mincha 5:10 pm Bnei Akiva Snif 6:10 pm Shabbat Ends	<b>Torah Reading:</b> <i>Shemot, 21:1 - 24:18</i> Hertz P. 306 Stone P. 416	<b>Haftarah:</b> <i>II Melachim 11:17-12:17</i> Hertz P. 992 Stone P. 1212
<b>Friday February 8</b> 5:17 pm Candle Lighting 5:25 pm Mincha 5:30 pm Musical Kabbalat Shabbat	9:00 am Shacharit: Sharp Sanctuary & Downstairs Minyan 10:00 am Youth Programs	7:00 pm Parent-Child Learning	<b>Maftir: Shemot, 30: 11-16</b> Hertz P. 352 Stone P. 484	

*TODAH RABAH to the sponsors:*

**CONGREGATIONAL KIDDUSH:**

*Zvi Hapern-Shavim & Michelle Landy-Shavim in commemoration of the yahrzeit of Michelle's father, Keith Landy z"l*

*Barry & Susan Michaels in commemoration of the yahrzeit of Susan's mother, Clara Reitman z"l*

*David & Bernice Walerstein in commemoration of the yahrzeit of Bernice's mother, Adela Gopin z"l*

*Clifford and Katy Korman in commemoration of the yahrzeit of Katy's father, Josef Jablonskj z"l*

**DOWNSTAIRS MINYAN:**

*Brian & Bryna Bloom and Paul & Judith Bloom in commemoration of the yahrzeit of the yahrzeit of their mother, Doris Bloom z"l*

*Jay Stochinsky & Aliza Derrick-Stochinsky in commemoration of the yahrzeit of Aliza's mother, Ellen Manuel Derrick z"l*

**HASHKAMA MINYAN:**

*Brian & Robbie Schwartz in honour of the birth of their granddaughter, Binah Rivka Chaya*

**TEEN MINYAN:**

*Chaim Bell and Sharon Chodirker and family In honour of their son, Zev's 16<sup>th</sup> birthday*

MAZAL TOV AND OTHER MEMBERS MATTERS

- Mazal Tov to **Richard & Irina Kay** and Jewel & Ted Edelman on the engagement of their children **Jeffrey Kay** and **Andrea Edelman**. Excited siblings are Greg, Deena and their son Benji Kay, **Ari & Serena Rubin**, Dayna & Jason Edelman. Grandparents are Trina Cleeman and Julian Edelman.

SHAAREI SHOMAYIM UPCOMING PROGRAMS

- Wednesday, February 6, 7:30-8:30 pm - **Israeli Movie Night: "Sister of Mine" followed by a discussion** about family and community. With our Shinshinim, Oriya and Maor.
- Wednesdays, February 13-March 6, 10-11:30 am - **The Walkie Talkies Return @ Yorkdale Mall**. All ages are welcome. To reserve your spot email Rabbi Shore at RabbiShore@shomayim.org.
- Tuesday, February 19, 12:00 pm - **Lunch & Learn with Rabbi Shore**, on the topic: "Does God Have A Sense Of Humour?" \$10/person. Register by calling Miriam at 416-789-3213.
- Motzei Shabbatot, February 23 & March 2, 8:30 pm - **Couples Communication: A Two-Session Workshop for Young Professionals**, at the home of Rabbi Jesse & Lauren Shore. With Ariella English, MSW. \$20/couple for both sessions. Register at shaareishomayim.shulcloud.com/form/couples.
- Shabbat March 1-2—**Scholar in Residence Professor Chaim Saiman**. Professor Saiman is a scholar of Jewish, insurance and private law, and has just published *Halakhah: The Rabbinic Idea of Law*. **Oneg Shabbat** at the home of Joey and Linda Fried. **Post Mussaf Drasha**, "Is Halacha Jewish Law—And Why That is a Harder Question Than you Think". **Pre-Mincha Armchair Conversation**, "Halakhah: The Rabbinic Idea of Law" with Rabbi Strauchler. **Seudah Shlishit**, "Swords and Sword Culture".  
Generously sponsored by **Jerry & Tammy Balitsky** and **Joey & Linda Fried** in honour of the recent birth of a grandson.

Please note that the **Young Families' Sunday Sports Day** program will not take place this coming Sunday, February 3. It will be re-scheduled to a later date - please stay tuned.

MATTERS	Stay and Play (Ages 0 - 3) Room 101	Shaar Chadash (Ages 2 - 5) Room 101 or 103	Shaar Yafo (Grade 1 - 2) Room 103	Shaar Aryeh (Grade 3 - 5) Room 105
Youth Programs - SUMMER 10:00 am to 12:00 pm				

TORAH MATTERS:				
DATE	DAVENING TIMES		SHIURIM AND LECTURES	
Sunday, February 3 28 Shevat	8:30 am 5:15 pm	Shacharit Mincha	7:30 am	Talmud Shiur with Rabbi Strauchler
Monday, February 4 29 Shevat	6:55 / 7:45 am 5:15 pm	Shacharit Mincha	6:10 am 9:30 am	Talmud Shiur with Rabbi Strauchler <i>Nevi'im Acharonim</i> Shiur with Rabbi Strauchler
Tuesday, February 5 30 Shevat I Rosh Chodesh	6:45 / 7:45 am 5:15 pm	Shacharit Mincha	6:00 am 9:30 am 1:30 pm 8:00 pm	Talmud Shiur with Rabbi Strauchler <i>The Birth of Moral Selfhood</i> Shiur with Dr. Zolty <i>Yeshayah</i> Shiur with Rabbi Torczyner <i>Parshat Hashavua</i> Shiur with Rabbi Diamond
Wednesday, February 6 1 Adar I II Rosh Chodesh	6:45 / 7:45 am 5:15 pm	Shacharit Mincha	6:00 am	Talmud Shiur with Rabbi Shore
Thursday, February 7 2 Adar I	6:55 / 7:45 am 5:15 pm	Shacharit Mincha	6:10 am	Talmud Shiur with Rabbi Shore
Friday, February 8 3 Adar I	7:00 / 7:45 am 5:17 pm 5:25 pm	Shacharit Candle Lighting Mincha	6:15 am	Talmud Shiur with Rabbi Shore

Kriyat Shema should be recited after 6:14 pm this week.

PARSHA MATTERS - by Rabbi Chaim Strauchler

LAW’S AND LIFE’S PURPOSE

Our Torah portion contains a series of laws for how God intends for the Jewish people to live. Why does a religious text put such an emphasis on the mundane operation of society, including laws such as a goring ox and a wondering donkey?

The Ramban argues that in order to abide by the last of the Ten Commandments, not to be jealous of another’s possessions, we need to know what belongs to whom. The myriad laws in our parsha serve an instrumental purpose. They are a means by which we know what is ours and what is our neighbour’s.

Rashi sets a more profound goal for these laws. The laws of damages are juxtaposed with those of constructing the altar to teach that these two institutions must exist side by side. The Sanhedrin must be located next to the Temple. Justice is an embodiment of the divine, which is no less important than the Beit Hamikdash. These laws contain within them divine meaning that requires us not just to abide by them; we must also know their logic and study them in depth.

On Shabbat March 2, we will welcome Prof. Chaim Saiman as Scholar-in-Residence. His recent book, *Halakhah: The Rabbinic Idea of Law*, makes the argument that our sages “use concepts forged in regulatory frameworks to do the work that other societies assign to philosophy, political theory, theology, and ethics – and even to art, drama, and literature. While Halakhah’s regulatory ideals are realized through observance of its laws, access to the broader social and religious aims is gained, through Talmud Torah.” As we read this week’s parsha, let us ask ourselves the degree to which we have engaged in these social and religious aims. May we devote ourselves to the many levels of our Torah’s meaning.

KID MATTERS				
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				Shaar Aryeh (Grade 3 - 5) Room 105


**שערי שומאים**  
**SHAAREI SHOMAYIM**

Parlour, Wine & Cheese  
Shiur for Young Professionals

With Rabbi Jesse Shore  
Wednesday, January 30, 8 pm

“Politics and Religion: Why the Taboo?”

At the home of Rabbi Jesse & Lauren Shore  
For details email Rabbi Shore at  
RabbiShore@shomayim.org



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WHERE **KIDS** MATTER

**MUSICAL KABBALAT SHABBAT**



Friday, February 8, 2019 | 5:30-6:30 pm  
In the Weinbaum Beit Midrash

With the Shinshinim:  
Davening with Maor, and story time with Oriya  
Followed by Hot Chocolate & Treats!  
For the whole family

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**Yeshiva University Torah MiTzion Beit Midrash Zichron Dov** בסייד

**MEDICAL ETHICS**

**MENTAL HEALTH & MITZVOT**

How does Jewish law balance mental health needs  
and temper its expectations?

with Rabbi Mordechai Torczyner  
7:30 - 9:00 PM Monday February 11, 2019  
Shaarei Shomayim, 470 Glencairn Ave. Toronto

Men and women are welcome / Open to non-physicians  
No advanced Jewish knowledge required / There is no charge.  
For information, call 416-783-6960 or email [info@torontotorah.com](mailto:info@torontotorah.com).

This Group Learning program meets the certification criteria of the College of Family Physicians of Canada and has been certified by Continuing Professional Development, Faculty of Medicine, University of Toronto for up to 1.5 Mainpro+ credits.

This event is an Accredited Group Learning Activity (Section 1) as defined by the Maintenance of Certification Program of the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada, approved by Continuing Professional Development, Faculty of Medicine, University of Toronto up to a maximum of (1.5 hours).

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**PROFESSOR CHAIM SAIMAN**

**PARSHAT VAYAKHEL**

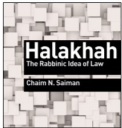

**MARCH 2, 2019**

**ONEG SHABBAT—8:45 pm**  
At the home of Joey & Linda Fried

**POST-MUSSAF DRASHA**  
“Is Halakhah a Jewish Law -  
And Why That is a Harder Question Than You Think”

**PRE-MINCHA ARMCHAIR CONVERSATION**  
“Halakhah: The Rabbinic Idea of Law”  
A Public Conversation between Rabbi Strauchler  
and Prof. Saiman on Prof. Saiman’s New Book

**SEUDAH SHLISHIT**  
“Swords and Sword Culture”

Professor Chaim Saiman is a scholar of Jewish, insurance and private law at Villanova University. Professor Saiman has served as the Gruss Visiting Professor of Talmudic Law at Harvard Law School and the University of Pennsylvania Law School, a visiting fellow at Princeton University, and a visiting professor at the Bar-Ilan, Hebrew University and IDC Faculties of Law. Professor Saiman received his B.S. from Georgia State University, and his J.D. from Columbia University School of Law. He also learned at Yeshivat Har-Etzion (Gush) and Kerem B'Yavneh. Professor Saiman recently published his book *Halakhah: The Rabbinic Idea of Law* with Princeton University Press.

Professor Chaim Saiman’s visit is sponsored by Jerry & Tammy Balitsky and Joseph & Linda Fried in honour of the recent birth of a grandson.

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The centre mechtza will be used on the following Shabbatot: February 9, March 16 and March 23.



CONDOLENCES

- Our sincere condolences to Judy & John Freedman, Eli Klein & Miriam Erlichman and Families on the loss of their mother, grandmother, mother-in-law and Charlotte Klein’s <sup>z”l</sup> mother, **Chana Kawalek <sup>z”l</sup>**.

Yahrzeits		
DATE	Yahrzeits Being Observed	
Shabbat, February 2 27 Shevat	Leslie Bielak, father of Anita Bielak-Dadouch	
Sunday, February 3 28 Shevat	Annie Cuttler, mother of Lillian Cooper <b>Jeanette Eisen, sister of Lorraine Hanser</b>	Keith Landy, husband of Janice Landy and father of Joshua Landy and Michelle Landy-Shavim
Monday, February 4 29 Shevat	Anna Belkin, mother of Roslyn Bigman Berger Doris Bloom, mother of Brian Bloom and Paul Bloom Sylvia Holtzman, mother of Joseph Holtzman	Harry Jordan, father of Robert Jordan Golda Koschitzky, mother of Saul Koschitzky Sadie Morris, mother of Brian Morris David Yanovski, father of Leah Lerner
Tuesday, February 5 30 Shevat	Evelyn Olin, mother of Jack Olin	
Wednesday, February 6 1 Adar I	Ramona Blinick, wife of Joshua Blinick Ellen Manel Derrick, mother of Aliza Derrick-Stochinsky Adela Gopin, mother of Bernice Walerstein Yona Schreier, sister of Ahuva Malamet	Richard Spitzer, father of Beate Lowenberg Max Zeifman, father of Samuel Zeifman and Sol Zeifman
Thursday, February 7 2 Adar I	Mena Glustein, mother of ArieH Glustein Ben Grossman, father of Warren Grossman Esther Kosoy, mother of Myrna Budd Milton Kumer, brother of Helen Singer	Sam Resnick, husband of Bernice Resnick Phyllis Siegel White, mother of Shoshana Kagedan Fanny Vigon, mother of Roz Woodrow Jack Walsh, father of Murray Walsh
Friday, February 8 3 Adar I	Anne Atlin, mother of Gayle Sable H. Thomas Beck, father of Liddy Beck Isaac BoubliI, father of Simone Gerson Rita Brown, mother of Avrom Brown	Jeffrey Burns, brother of Michael Bernstein Lillian Dubrow, mother of Arnold Dubrow Mary Gelman, mother of Dorothy Halberstadt

COMMUNITY MATTERS

- Sundays, February 3, 10 & 17, 10:30 am - **FRUMBA: Women’s Cardio Dance Fitness**. No previous experience needed, all ages of women welcome. At Shaarei Shomayim. To register email Bette at frumbadance@gmail.com.
- Sunday, February 10, 3:00 pm - **Skiing at Moonstone for Young Professionals**. For information email jayne54@gmail.com.
- Sunday, February 10, 2:00 pm @ Beth Tikvah Synagogue - Friends of Yiddish lively literary readings and witty and wise stories in Yiddish and English. \$8—email yiddish18@yahoo.ca or call 416-783-3606.

HOSTS AND VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

- Yachad** will be having a Shabbaton at Shaarei Shomayim on February 15-16. They are looking for 25 homes that can sleep from 2-4 people (each Yachad member has an advisor with them at all times). If you are able to host please contact Sarah Cole at coles@ou.org.
- Beit Halochem Canada** brings every year a group of 10 Israeli wounded veterans to Toronto as part of their ongoing rehabilitation. This year’s visit will take place May 19-June 2. They seek families to host these heroes and provide a home, some meals, support, and friendship. Call 905-695-0611 or email info@beithalochem.ca.
- Circle of Care** is seeking volunteers to assist in the delivery of Kosher Meals on Wheels, and to visit clients with a life-limiting illness. Call 416-635-2900 x284 or email volunteer@circleofcare.com.

REFUAH SHLEIMAH

*Pinchas Tzvi ben Basya, Yita Hentcha bat Shoshana, Rachmiel ben Dvorah (Randall Craig), Geula Liba Yehudit bat Gittel Tzipra, Leah bat Sarah, Hesha Channah bat Bayla, Michael Mordechai Avraham ben Hinda Rifka, Yishai ben Tzipora, Sura Blima bat Sheindel, Eliyahu ben Ryejah, Yakov Israel ben Carmella, Miriam bat Chaya, Yitzchak ben Chaya Raizel, Eliyahu Yom Tov ben Leah, Leah bat Masha, Oved ben Regina, Ophira bat Raanana, Shlomo Shraga ben Esther, Zvi ben Golda, Yehuda Yosef ben Miriam Yocheved, Elyakim ben Meril, Yosef ben Esther, Rachel bat Leah, Yekutiel ben Sara, Sara bat Yocheved, Golda bat Sarah, Menachem Mendel ben Devorah, Eliyahu Reuven ben Sarah, Yerachmiel ben Luba*

We would like to acknowledge your milestones! Please let us know when there is a birth, Bar/Bat mitzvah, graduation, engagement, aufruf, wedding, significant birthday/anniversary, community recognition, illness, bereavement, or unveiling. Call or email Miriam in the shul office at 416-789-3213 or [Miriam@Shomayim.org](mailto:Miriam@Shomayim.org) or donate online at [Shomayim.org/donate](http://Shomayim.org/donate).

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