

CONGREGATION BETH AARON ANNOUNCEMENTS

Parshat Ki Tisa/Parah

March 13-14, 2020

18 Adar 5780

SHABBAT TIMES

Friday, March 13

Earliest Candles: 5:48 p.m.

Latest Candles: 6:43 p.m.

Shabbat, March 14

Sof Zman Kriat Shema: 10:06 a.m.

Havdalah: 7:52 p.m.

Friday, March 20

Earliest Candles: 5:53 p.m.

Latest Candles: 6:51 p.m.

This week's announcements are sponsored by Lamdeinu. For information on their schedule of classes, see page 3 and go to lamdeinu.org. Study in depth; be inspired!

Important Message from the RCBC Impacting Our Shul and Greater Community

We have made the very difficult decision to adopt the following policies of social distancing in our community. We intend to re-evaluate our policies next week on the basis of the expert guidance provided by the medical leadership of the three local hospitals. This panel will guide us as we continually monitor the ongoing situation as it evolves. We collectively agree to abide by the decisions reached by our lay, educational and rabbinic leadership on the basis of expert medical advice, to uniformly adhere to these standards, and to communicate collectively.

We must all try our best to STAY HOME with only our immediate family for now and to avoid unnecessary contact with others, and particularly with substantial groups. We should only leave when it is truly necessary. Thus:

- All community members are strongly encouraged to work from home, if possible, and to stay home whenever possible. It is critical for adults to set the right example.
- As the schools are currently closed, there should not be playdates between children of different families. This would undermine the entire purpose of the school closing.
- Shuls will be closed for all *minyanim* and *shiurim* effective Friday morning, March 13. There should be no house *minyanim*. All of the rabbis will be *davening* alone in their own homes.
- There should be no public celebrations for *smachot*.
- People should not have gatherings for *Shabbat* meals.
- *Shiva* visits should be replaced by phone/video calls.
- *Levayot* should be restricted to a small group of family members and a *minyan*.
- Refrain from contact sports.
- Restaurants should not seat customers. People should order for pick-up and delivery only.
- The *Mikvaot* will remain open, at the guidance of CDC and local health authorities. Women under mandatory quarantine or who are experiencing symptoms of illness may not use the *mikvah*. Please consult your *rav* for further clarification or for specific questions.

A MESSAGE FROM RABBI ROTHWACHS

As always, I am available to each and every one of you and your family members at all times. Please do not hesitate to reach out to me via email, WhatsApp, text message, or phone at 201-747-8740.

PESACH WINE

The Men's Club is selling wine for *Pesach* with Filler Up Wines. Place your order at bethaaron.org/winesale. The deadline to place orders is Saturday, March 21. Pickup is at Moishe B. Singer's house, 170 Edgemont Place, on Monday, March 30. Delivery is available for an additional \$18. Please help support the Men's Club by purchasing wine from us. Proceeds help support our events and *kiddushim*.

SISTERHOOD MATZA SALE

Sisterhood is selling *Shmura Matza* from the Shatzer *Matza* Factory in Brooklyn, offering regular, whole wheat, gluten-free oat, and spelt *matza*. The deadline for the other *matza* options is Monday, March 30, at 11:00 p.m. Pickup for all orders will be Sunday, April 5, at the Yaros home, 910 Prince Street, from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. Pick up an order form in the *shul* lobby or order online at bethaaron.org/event/matza2020.

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Go to www.bethaaron.org/amazon
and click on the Amazon link to start
your online shopping.

Is the *Eruv* Up? Call the *Eruv* Hotline
before *Shabbat*: 201-530-0222

MAZAL TOV TO

- Jared Breen, on his upcoming marriage to Aliza Steinberg of Baltimore. *Mazal Tov* also to Jared's parents, Lisa & Ross Breen, and to Aliza's parents, Batya & Chaim Steinberg of Baltimore, MD.
- Elianna Isaacs, on her engagement to Dovi Grosser. *Mazal Tov* also to Elianna's parents, Reshi & Yosef Isaacs and the entire Isaacs family, and to Dovi's parents, Janet & Ira Grosser of Woodmere, NY.

CONDOLENCES TO

- Steven Hoenig on the passing of his beloved father, Bill Hoenig. *Shiva* will be observed until Wednesday morning, March 18, at 339 Midwood Road, Woodmere, NY.

PARNAS HAYOM

Dedicate a day of learning at Beth Aaron on the occasion of a *yahrtzeit*, in the *zechut* of a *refuah shelaima*, or in honor of a *simcha*, a birthday or any other occasion. Each week's dedications are prominently displayed in the *shul* lobby and sent out to the membership via email. For more information, or to sign up, please go to www.bethaaron.org/parnashayom.

BETH AARON YOUTH and JUNIOR HIGH

The Beth Aaron Youth Department is looking for **substitute group leaders** in grades 6-12. If you would like to work in groups, please contact youth@bethaaron.org.

SHUL ANNOUNCEMENTS (SUBJECT TO CANCELLATION)

On *Shabbat*, March 28, at 4:00 p.m., at the home of Marilyn Zeidel, 169 Carlton Terrace, the Sisterhood Book Club will meet to discuss the selection "**The Gown**" by **Jennifer Robson**. For any questions, contact Diane Fogel, difogel2@aol.com, 201-741-7327.

if you are in need of **hospitality for the Sedorim or any other festive meals for Pesach** or if you would like to host guests for these *seudots*, please contact Joshua Zakheim no later than March 30 at jhz.is.us@gmail.com, 646-881-3452.

On *Shabbat ha-Gadol*, April 3-4, the Men's Club is offering **pre-Pesach meals**. At the Friday night meal, Chinese food will be served. The cost is \$15 per adult or teen (ages 14-17), and \$7 per child (ages 2-13). For *Shabbat* lunch, prices are \$25 per adult or teen and \$8 per child. Sponsorships are available. The sponsorship level determines whether one or two meals are included. Sign up at [Shabbat ha-Gadol Dinner](#)
[Shabbat ha-Gadol Luncheon](#)
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Condolence cards are available from the office for \$8 each or \$50 for 10. Contact Penina at the office, office@bethaaron.org, 201-836-6210, to order condolence cards.

Purchase your **Men's Club Apron** with the new Beth Aaron logo. For details, visit BethAaron.org/apron.

The Congregation Beth Aaron Olim Group has been formed to assist those who are planning to make *aliyah*. If you have any questions, please contact Oriya Nitkin, 972-52-738-5158.

TEFILOT NEEDED

Please continue to *daven* for Micah Kaufman (מיכא חיים בן שרה).

Hanania Weissler, son of former Beth Aaron members Chana & Zvi Weissler, is in need of our *tefilot*. Please *daven* for חנניה אברהם בן חנה דבורה.

SAFETY AT BETH AARON

We all can do our part in maintaining the security of our *Beit Knesset*. Please remain aware and vigilant whenever you are in or around the *shul*. If you see a suspicious person or object, please report it to a *shul* officer and/or the office as soon as possible. Additionally, please partner with us in ensuring the safety of our children by making certain that your children are either next to you in *shul* or in our youth groups.

REFLECTOR BELTS

Safety reflector belts safeguard you when walking to and from *shul* and any other night activity. Comfortable and lightweight, they are adjustable for men, women, and children. The belts are available at no cost to members, but a donation to offset costs is appreciated. If you would like one, please stop by the *shul* office or contact Penina, office@bethaaron.org, 201-836-6210.

PAYPAL GIVING FUND

You can pay any outstanding charges through the PayPal Giving Fund, without paying an online fee. The PayPal Giving Fund is a non-profit to which people can make donations, and, in turn, the Fund supports programs like ours. When you make a donation through our link, Beth Aaron will receive 100% of your donation, with no credit card expense for either party. The Fund can be used for one-time donations and payments only. Donations made through the Fund will be posted to members' accounts the month after they are given, as PayPal will transfer the money to us once a month (in the month after the donation is made).

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COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Shearit HaPlate of Bergen County, Inc. is once again coordinating a **community-wide post-Purim collection of leftover mishloach manot** food, to be distributed to people in need. Food may be deposited directly inside the PODS located at 1212 Kensington Road, from March 10 to March 27. Food must be in its original packaging, with kosher certification visible. Please do not leave items such as fresh fruit, loose *hamantaschen*, baked goods, candy no longer in the original package, or foods requiring refrigeration. For more information about the project, donation opportunities to help defray costs, or additional collection locations, please visit our website at www.shpbc.org, or contact Josh Klavan, jklavan@gmail.com, 917-593-9290, or Yoni Lieber, ylieber1@gmail.com, 201-362-3845.

On Sunday, March 22, from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m., at 642 Maitland Avenue, **NechamaComfort** invites the community to shop from The Big Bow Shop, which sells ladies clothes, hats and scarves. All proceeds will be donated to NechamaComfort.

JSscreen is a non-profit initiative providing easy, affordable, at-home testing on saliva for over **200 genetic diseases**, including those most common in people with Ashkenazi, Sephardi, and Mizrahi backgrounds. Genetic carrier testing helps individuals and couples understand their genetic risks and plan ahead for the health of their future families. To learn more visit www.JScreen.org.

The **Rinat Chaim Gemach**, in memory of Renee Chaya Levy, lends new and used medical equipment in good condition to those in need, for short-term or long-term use. To borrow equipment, please contact Ronnie Schwartz, 917-532-6922.

TIRED OF CARRYING ITEMS TO SHUL? RENT A LOCKER!

Are you tired of carrying your cell phone, a sweater, a poncho, comfortable shoes to *shul*? Rent a locker! A locker is a great place to securely store your cell phone until *davening* ends. The rental fee is \$100 per fiscal year (July 1 to June 30) and can be pro-rated. To rent a locker, contact the *shul* office, office@bethaaron.org. Please contact Isaac Hagler, isaachagler@gmail.com, with any further questions.

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