**Beth Sholom Congregation**

**This Week’s Dvar is sponsored by Dafna & Brian Berman**

_in honor of Ranaan’s Bar Mitzvah_

January 4, 2020

_7 Tevet 5780_

_Shabbat Vayigash_

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**THIS SHABBAT**

**Friday:**
4:41PM: Candle lighting 
4:45PM: Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat: _Bobrow Chapel_

**Saturday:**
8:15AM: Hashkama Minyan: _MPR No Dvar Torah_ (will join Epstein minyan for the Siyum HaShas)
8:15AM: Weekly Review of Daf _Chuck’s Room_
_Spiritual Coffee is on break until January 11_
9:00AM: Epstein Minyan 
_Siyum Hashas following Davening_
9:00AM: Sephardic Minyan: _Bobrow Chapel_
9:15AM: Fox Minyan: _Teen Minyan Room_
4:00PM: Special Shiur: Introduction to Talmud with Rabbi Antine
4:30PM: Mincha
5:43PM: Shabbat Ends

**Davening Times: 1/4 - 1/10**
Shacharit: 8:00AM: Sun
6:20AM: Mon & Thurs, 6:15 AM: Tues (10 Tevet)
6:30AM: Wed & Fri
Women’s Tehillim: 9:00AM Sunday _Bobrow_
4:50PM: Mincha | 8:00PM: Late Maariv

Next Friday:
4:47PM: Candle Lighting | 4:50PM: Mincha

**Mazal Tov** to _Ranaan_ on becoming a Bar Mitzvah, proud parents, _Dafna & Brian Berman_; to _Alex Lev_ on becoming a Bar Mitzvah, proud grandparents, _Zehavit & Manny Kandel_; to _Michelle & Daniel Abramowitz_ on the birth of their son, _Lev Shoshan_, proud grandfather, _Harvey Blumenthal_; to _Marci & Mathias Serfaty_ on the birth of a granddaughter; _Everyone_ finishing the Daf Yomi (names inside)

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**WHAT’S HAPPENING THIS WEEKEND?**

**SIYUM ON TALMUD & SPECIAL KIDDUSH 1/4**

This Shabbat, the _Beth Sholom Daf Yomi_ group will have completed the Talmud after 7.5 years of study! Shabbat morning services will include a Siyum and recognition of all those who have finished. We start Brachot on January 5. The first 12 women and the first 12 men who commit to trying to finish brachot (only 60 days!) will get a free Talmud sponsored by The Mendy Rutstein Talmud fund.

**SOCIAL ACTION COMMITTEE COOKING MORNING - 1/5 - 10AM - 12PM**

The Social Action Committee invites everyone to help cook two days worth of meals for the Women’s Shelter in Rockville. Donations can be made on our website, [www.bethsholom.org](http://www.bethsholom.org)

**LAST CHANCE TO BUY TICKETS FOR THE BETH SHOLOM LIBRARY BENEFIT CONCERT!**

Tickets available until Jan. 6 - $60
Visit [www.bethsholom.org](http://www.bethsholom.org)

**Kiddush Sponsors:** _Dafna & Brian Berman_ would like to invite the community to a kiddush in the Atrium in honor of their son _Ranaan_ becoming a Bar Mitzvah.

**Kiddush Fund:** _Carole & Wes Ashendorf_ in memory of Sally Sussman; _Debbie & David Felsen_ in honor of all of those who have completed the daf yomi cycle and in honor of _Rabbi Antine_ for his inspiration in learning; _Elissa & Saul Goldfarb_ in honor of _Jeff Paskow_ & all Daf Yomi participants for the completion of this cycle of learning & in memory of her father, _Yosef Schonthal_ (Baruch Yosef ben Nechemiah v’Devora) on his 13th Yahrzeit; _Amy & Jud Subar_ celebrating Jud reaching the Daf Yomi cycle & their double-chai anniversary.

**Sephardic Minyan Kiddush Sponsors:** Happy Hanukkah Wishes to the entire Beth Sholom Congregation from _Michelle and Rami Loya_; _Danny and Frayda Penini_ in memory of Danny’s father Menashe ben Yehezkiel

**Seudah Shilisheet** is sponsored and prepared by the _Garfunkel, Gerstein, Kurlantzick, Serfaty, and Weiss_ families.

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73RD ANNUAL HONOREE CELEBRATION - FEBRUARY 1, 2020 - 8:00 PM

Registration is now live for our Annual Honoree Celebration! Sponsorship opportunities and journal ads available. For more information about our honorees and to register, visit [www.bethsholom.org/honoree2020](http://www.bethsholom.org/honoree2020)

Registration and Journal Ads due by January 12.
HAPPENINGS @ BETH SHOLOM

FINAL WEEKLY REVIEW OF DAF- SHABBAT MORNING JANUARY 4: Join us this Shabbat morning at 8:15 in Chuck’s Room for the final session of Daf Yomi Review. We’ve enjoyed discussing the topics of the week’s Daf with all comers and now it’s time to hang up those particular hats. But don’t worry! There’s more learning to come! After a couple of weeks’ hiatus, we’ll be there — same time, same place — for weekly review of a section of Tanach. If you’re interested in knowing what we’ll be learning, please speak to David Felsen or Jud Subar. Or just show up! We look forward to starting on February 1.

SCHMOOZE IN HEBREW, WINE NOT? - JANUARY 5, 2020 - 7:30 PM: We will be meeting at the Green’s home. For details and location, contact Tomer, thilel@bethsholom.org

#JEWISHANDPROUD: Join the global Jewish community on Monday, January 6 in a worldwide day of Jewish pride of all that makes us proud to be Jews, and to demonstrate solidarity with those who have been the targets of these attacks. How can you participate? Visit www.facebook.com/ajcwashington

JANUARY TODDLER CLASS - JANUARY 6 - JUNE 12, 2020
18-24 months (drop-off) | Time: Monday – Friday 9:15 AM - 12:30 PM
A play-based program where your child will learn to explore, engage, experiment and experience. To register, visit bethsholomecc.com or contact preschool@bethsholom.org

SHIR-ON SHABBAT - JANUARY 10-11, 2020: Join us Friday evening for a rousing Kabbalat Shabbat davening followed by a Teens–Only Program (dinner, $15). On Shabbat day, six groups will perform during a lively Luncheon Program for all ages. Ages 12+ $24.95| Ages 4 – 11 $13.95| Under 3 free| Registration required | Sponsorships available. www.bethsholom.org/shiron

INOVA BLOOD DRIVE: JANUARY 12, 2020: 10AM-3PM: Mark your calendars now for fulfilling this life-saving Mitzvah on Sunday, January 12 from 10-3. More information to follow about registering on-line.

POLITICS AND MORALITY: HOW SEPARABLE ARE THEY? - JANUARY 13, 2020 - 7 - 9 PM
The Jewish Federation of Greater Washington and the Shalom Hartman Institute of North America invite you to begin the New Year with a new public learning opportunity held at Beth Sholom! Dr. Elana Stein Hain, Scholar-in-Residence and Director of Faculty at the Shalom Hartman Institute of North America, will turn our lecture hall into an interactive community beit midrash (house of learning) – a forum for spirited peer exchange through a Jewish lens. To register, visit www.shalomdc.org/event/hartman-elanasteinhain/

A VOICE OF UNITY - JANUARY 15, 2020 - 7:30 PM: JCRC will be hosting a conversation at Beth Sholom with groundbreaking Israeli leader, Beit Shemesh Mayor Aliza Bloch. Learn more and RSVP at jcouncil.org/bloch

ANNUAL AIPAC SHABBAT WITH GUEST ADAM TEITELBAUM - JANUARY 18, 2020: Adam Teitelbaum currently serves as AIPAC Leadership Development Director and is himself a product of AIPAC’s highly acclaimed student movement. As the Leadership Development Director, Adam is responsible for the strategic development and oversight of AIPAC’s highly acclaimed campus efforts and their positioning within the larger pro-Israel political movement

MAHARAT SHABBAT - JANUARY 25, 2020 We are excited to share shabbat with Maharat! Students and faculty will be joining us at Beth Sholom for a wonderful shabbat, which will include a special Women’s Tefilah as well as an opportunity for everyone in the community to learn with Maharat students and faculty at the conclusion of davening in Epstein.

HOT TOPICS IN 21ST CENTURY JEWISH FEMINISM: JANUARY 26, 2020 - 10:30 AM AT THE ROCK CREEK SYNAGOGUE
Join scholars and community leaders for an exploration of women, feminism, and Judaism in 2020 and beyond, featuring faculty and alumnae from Maharat, as well as community leaders. Special session for 5th-7th grade girls and their parents to experience ritual in the beloved Bat Mitzvah Literacy Workshop. $10 admission W/ lunch| Registration is requested. This event is presented in partnership between Maharat, The Beltway Vaad, JOFA and SVIVAH. Visit www.yeshivatmaharat.org/events for info/registration.

MOTZEI SHABBAT MOVIE NIGHT - 1/11/20- 7:00 PM
Join Tomer for the movie “Tel Aviv On Fire” following discussion located in Herschel Hall! For more details and to learn about the movie, contact thilel@bethsholom.org
ANNOUNCEMENTS @ BETH SHOLOM

EXECUTIVE/BOARD NOMINATIONS: The Nominating Committee is in the process of putting together the leadership slate for next year. This is your chance to get involved in the leadership of the shul. Interested in serving on the Executive Committee or the Board? Contact David Felsen at dfels@comcast.net

DONATIONS: Our Lifecycle Donation page is now live to make donations for a specific class and/or a mitzvah. Donate TODAY at www.bethsholom.org/lifecycle

CSS: CSS is currently looking for volunteers to work shifts once a month. Training will be provided. If interested contact David Fuller, fullerdc68@gmail.com


LATE MAARIV SERVICES: MON-THURS EVENINGS AT 8:00PM: For more information, to get on the email list for this service, and to learn about options for lunchtime Mincha minyanim, email Alan Fisher, afisherads@yahoo.com

SISTERHOOD GIFT SHOP: HOURS: Sundays – 10am–Noon
This Sunday January 5, 2020 we will be open and all Hanukkah items are on sale. Great discounts! The Gift Shop will be open every first Sunday of the month when The Talmud Torah is in session. Mahjong cards are available for the 2020 year. $9 per card. Call Shari to reserve your card!

WOMEN SUPPORTING ONE ANOTHER: We encourage women to sign up to attend a few minyans at shul or a shiva house. For more information or to sign up contact Jennifer Schwartz, Ev Marcus-Wheeler or Vera Kurlantzick.

ADULT COMMUNITY SERVICE OPPORTUNITY: Do a mitzvah! We have openings on several Seudah Shilisheet Teams. Team members each contribute less than 5 hours of effort/year & a donation that works out to less than $2.50/week. For details contact Steve Bashein via sbashein@yahoo.com.

AMAZON SMILES is a great way to support Beth Sholom without spending extra money! Go to smile.amazon.com, and choose “Beth Sholom Congregation and Talmud Torah” as your charity of choice.

CAPITAL KOSHER PANTRY FOOD DONATION BOX: Donations of soup in all forms (consommé, packets, mixes, cartons, cans) are most welcome, along with "extras" such as croutons, soup nuts and crackers. Please place your donations in Yad Yehuda’s Capital Kosher Pantry box located in the Polk Lobby.

LOST AND FOUND: Missing library book- If you borrowed The Last Watchman of Cairo from the library please return it to the library. Thanks.

BUILD BRIDGES, BRING ISRAEL TO YOUR HOME: In this new project you can host an event with Tomer or another Shaliach in the Greater DC area in your home. Interested? Contact Tomer, thilel@bethsholom.org

The Beth Sholom Book Club enjoyed reading the memoir “If All the Seas Were Ink” by Ilana Kurshan!
WEEKLY LEARNING @ BETH SHOLOM

DAF YOMI: Sun: 8:50 AM; Mon–Friday, 7:20am. On Shabbat @ 8:15 AM Weekly Daf Yomi Review: taught by David Felsen and/or Jud Subar (note: This shabbat January 4th will be the final weekly review class! It will shift to weekly Tanach review as of February 1st).

MONDAY: MEYER KATZPER: 1:30 PM Mishle (Proverbs) – The Rashi class will resume after the new year.

TUESDAY:
RABBI ANTINE: 9:30 AM – Parshah class
RABBI OVADIA: 7:00 – 8:00 PM Rabbi Ovadia’s class will resume January 14
RABBI ANTINE: 8:15 PM – Tehillim Class
RABBI KAWIOR: 9:30 PM – Bobrow Chapel
Tuesday Night Torah Reading: Our year long course is now featuring Megillat Esther! Women who would like to learn how to read Megilla should contact Sara Antine at casesarasara@gmail.com for details on time and location.

WEDNESDAY: DROP-IN-CHEVRUTAH: Drop-In-Chevrutah will return on January 8th at 3:30 PM

THURSDAY: RABBI ANTINE: 11:30 AM Chassidut

FRIDAY: After Morning Minyan: Daf Yomi

SHABBAT: Weekly Review of Daf Yomi w/ David Felsen and/or Jud Subar: 8:15 AM
15 minutes after start of Kiddush: Class in Epstein (not every week)
45 minutes before Mincha: Class with R’ Cooper (not in winter)
45 minutes before Mincha: Daf Yomi w/ R’ Antine
Family Learning Program w/ Pizza: 7:00 PM during winter (Dates TBA)

Can’t make it to any of the above classes? We have launched two WhatsApp learning groups! One sends out daily halacha teachings recorded at morning minyan, and the other sends out daily teachings focused on one pasuk (verse) from the parsha!
For more info and to learn how to join the groups, visit www.bethsholom.org/whatsapp.

One verse at a Time: Short texts distributed daily by Rabbi Cooper, focusing on one verse over the course of a week (1–2 minute recordings accompany the text if you prefer to listen instead of read)

Daily Halacha: 1–2 minute recordings on halachic topics, recorded by Rabbi Antine or Rabbi Cooper at morning minyan

CLASS SPONSORSHIPS AVAILABLE!
Contact acohen@bethsholom.org
**ASK THE RABBI**

**QUESTION:** Do you have any tips for learning Daf Yomi?

**ANSWER:** It's very important that the approach you choose to learning the Daf is sustainable. It's also important to recognize that the time that most people are able to allocate to the daf is not enough (for most people) to truly grasp all of the details and intricacies on each page. Someone told me once that Daf yomi is like driving across the United States at 80 MPH, seeing all of the sites, but not actually stopping and looking at them. You see them and say, "That'll be nice to return to later."

Some ideas to make the learning sustainable: Choose a podcast with recorded daf yomi classes (40-60 minutes) that you find accessible. There are many options- all of which can be found by searching for “daf yomi” where you download your podcasts (two highlights include Rabbi Dov Linzer’s daf yomi shiur and Michelle Cohen Farber’s “Daf Yomi for Women” class [note: not only for women specifically, it’s just the title]). There are also a number of useful websites, including Sefaria.com (which has a translation of the entire Talmud), 8minutedaf.com (an 8 minute summary of each daf), dafhachaim.com (which has very useful video summaries of each daf). Of course, there is also the option of learning on your own, with a Koren, Artscroll, or with no English commentary at all! Learning with a chevruta can also be very helpful to keep you on track. Of course, we would be thrilled if you attended Beth Sholom’s daily Daf Yomi class (no need to attend every single session).

**Bottom line:** Learning the Daf is an amazing undertaking. We are blessed to live in times in which there are so many resources and strategies to learn Daf Yomi. No matter who you are, you can access the Talmud!
**Ninth Annual Shabbat Shir-On**

Get excited for a fantastic program this year! Featuring Beth Sholom’s Kol Tuv, Beth Sholom’s Kol Teen, CESIDS Shir Madness, the MBHA a cappella group, Marak HaYom, and JewKvox. **January 10-11, 2020**

- Join Friday evening for a rousing Carlebach-style Kabbalat Shabbat dinner.
- Afterwards, a special Teens-Only Program continues with Friday night dinner and celebration.
- Saturday, six groups will take the stage in harmonious song during a lively Luncheon Program for all ages.
- Register EARLY at bethsholom.org!

**FRIDAY NIGHT TEEN PROGRAM**
Join Rabbi Cooper and Tomer Heti for a Friday dinner and program.
$15.00

**SATURDAY LUNCHEON**
Adults, teens & kids 12+: $24.95
Children age 3-11: $13.95
Under age 3: Free

Advance registration required.
Register at bethsholom.org.

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**Beth Sholom Annual Library Benefit Concert**

Sunday, January 19, 2020 at 3:00 PM
The Music Center at Strathmore
5301 Tuckerman Lane, North Bethesda
National Philharmonic Orchestra
Piotr Gajewski, conductor
Orli Shaham, piano

All Mozart Program:
- Overture to *Il Re Pastore* (The Shepherd King)
- Piano Concerto No. 20 in D minor
- with Beethoven cadenzas
- Symphony No. 41 (*Jupiter*)

Discount advance tickets $55 until January 3 (Regularly $60)
Children aged 7–17 tickets free. $6 NPO handling fee
Meet the Musicians program 2–2:30PM
Benefit tickets only at BSC office or [www.BethSholom.org](http://www.BethSholom.org)
For information: Library@BethSholom.org

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**Beth Sholom Congregation & Talmud Torah, St. James Episcopal Church, Geneva Presbyterian & Chabad of Potomac Blood Drive**

Sunday, Jan. 12, 2020
10 a.m. – 3 p.m.

11825 Seven Locks Road, Potomac, MD 20854

Inova Blood Donor Services will be in the Synagogue.

Make your lifesaving appointment today!
Visit: [http://bit.ly/BETHSHOLOM20200112](http://bit.ly/BETHSHOLOM20200112) or call us at 1-888-BLOODSAVES (1-888-256-6372) and use Sponsor Code 7354 or contact Judy Frank at (301) 279-9468 or judithfrank4343@gmail.com

**INova Blood Donor Services**

Donate and receive an Anniversary T-shirt!

[inovablood.org](http://inovablood.org)

Photo ID required. Please allow one hour for your whole blood donation or double red cell donation.

For more information about blood donation and preparation, please visit inovablood.org or call 1-888-BLOODSAVES (1-888-256-6372).

*While supplies last. Donors must complete screening process during the event to receive the t-shirt.

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**Mazal Tov to members of Beth Sholom who have completed the entire Talmud after 7.5 years of Talmud study!**

Ken Falk
Jeffrey Paskow
Maurice Betaharon
Bob Kurlantzick
Bob Kreitman
Brian Foont
Bob Gross

Dan Matz
Wes Ashendorf
Elise Berliner
Steve Bashein
David Felsen
Jud Subar
Larry Shor
Alan Zuckerman
Daniel Pearl Youth Center

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➢ Torah Tots with Morah Heather this Shabbat, 1/4!
  Sponsored by Talia & Jeremy Waldstreicher.

➢ Mandatory KOL TUV rehearsal this Shabbat
  11:20am-11:50am in the Daniel Pearl Youth Center.

➢ Mandatory KOL TEEN rehearsal this Shabbat
  11:50am-12:20pm in the Daniel Pearl Youth Center.

➢ Teen Minyan will meet on 1/11 and 1/25!

➢ 10th-12th graders: Israel Engagement Fellowship
  (IEF) program opportunities!

Time: 5-7PM | Dates: 1/12, 1/26, 2/2, 2/9, 2/23, 3/8, 3/22
Contact Tomer, thilel@bethsholom.org for more details.

Registration deadline is January 3rd!

NCSY

Senator Ben Cardin Jewish Scholars Program-
Applications are now open! For more info visit
www.bethsholom.org/NCSY

Contact:
Rabbi Josh Kent, kentj@ncsy.org

BNEI AKIVA

GET EXCITED FOR SHIR ON SHABBAT!

ATTENTION!!

Join us Friday evening for a rousing Kabbalat Shabbat
davening followed by a Teens-Only Program (dinner, $15).
On Shabbat day, six groups will perform during a lively
Luncheon Program for all ages.

Ages 12+ $24.95 | Ages 4 – 11 $13.95 | Under 3 free
Registration required

Contact Debbie Snyder,
dsnyderkulp@gmail.com
www.bethsholom.org/shiron

Interested in volunteering for programs/events? Contact
thilel@bethsholom.org
### FAMILY @ BETH SHOLOM

**Happy Birthday: January 4 - January 10, 2019**


Did we miss your birthday? Please update your birthday info directly on your account at [www.bethsholom.org](http://www.bethsholom.org) or email [acohen@bethsholom.org](mailto:acohen@bethsholom.org)

### THOSE OBSERVING YAHREZEITS 1/4 - 1/10 (7 Tevet - 13 Tevet)

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Russell Bregman, for his mother, Desre Bregman  
Lisa Charnoff, for her grandmother, Sarah Sussman  
Roberta Ehrlich, for her grandmother, Rose Rouder  
Edmund Feldman, for his grandmother, Rose Rouder |
| SUN   | Marilyn Adelson, for her mother-in-law, Leah Adelson  
Stanley Rothschild, for his father, Sali Rothschild  
Mathias Serfaty, for his father, Amram Serfaty |
| MON   | Max Dekelbaum, for his grandmother, Ethel Dudick  
Norman Dekelbaum, for his grandmother, Ethel Dudick  
Lisa Douek, for her mother, Rita Kupetzky  
Barbara Karp, for her father, Paul Illowsky |
| WED   | Hilda Kopit, for her father-in-law, Hyman Kopit  
Gerald Meyers, for his uncle, Bernard Manashaw |
| THURS | Sid Diamond, for his parents, Sonia and Paul Diamond  
Lorraine Halpert, for her mother, Julia Plotnick  
Annette Lakein, for her father, Meyer Ehrlich |
| FRI   | Arnie Hiller, for his grandfather, Sol Hiller  
Isaac Landa, for his mother, Huna Landa |

*Our apologies if a Yahrzeit listing is either missing or incorrect. Please update Yahrzeit info directly on your account at [www.bethsholom.org](http://www.bethsholom.org) or email [acohen@bethsholom.org](mailto:acohen@bethsholom.org)*

### LAMPLIGHTERS

Lamplighters for Rosh Chodesh Tevet were **Marcell Garih and Miriam & Joel Bader.** The Beth Sholom Lamplighters each month have the privilege of demonstrating **Kavod.**

### YAHREZIET PLAQUES:

To order your memorial plaque, please contact Amanda Cohen, [acohen@bethsholom.org](mailto:acohen@bethsholom.org) or 301-279-7010 x 200.

### BRINGING BOOKS OF COMFORT:

This program sponsored by Beth Sholom that helps families in our community begin a conversation about grief, using books as the springboard. For more information, please contact [gilly@bringingcomfort.org](mailto:gilly@bringingcomfort.org)