

VIRTUAL CLASSES: See the VBJ Torah page for links

WEEKDAY (M-F)

7:05am | Tefillah Tips
7:20am | Daily Virtual Tefillah
8:00pm | OU Live

WEEKDAY DAF YOMI

6:00am (7:00am Sun) | M-F | **Rabbi Ilan D. Feldman**
7:45am | S - F | **Rabbi Reuven Stein**
7:00pm | S - Th | **Rabbi Dovid Kapenstein** | Google Meet 413.497.2551 pin: 859741#
9:00pm | S-Th | **Rabbi Reuven Stein**

SUNDAY

8:45-10:00am **Semichas Chaver Program**
Rabbi Dov Foxbrunner, CR (M)
9:30 - 10:30am **Advanced Text-Based Class**
Mrs. Esther Pransky, CS (W)

MONDAY

1:20 - 1:30pm **Mussar Teleconference**
Mrs. Esther Pransky (W)

TUESDAY

9:30pm **Tehillim Teleconference**
Mrs. Sarah Bayla Gross (W)

WEDNESDAY

12:00pm **Jewish Potpourri** Rabbi Yitzchok Werbin (M/W)
1:20 - 1:30pm **Mussar Teleconference**
Mrs. Esther Pransky (W)

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

EREV SHABBOS

Please see Zmanim supplement for details

FRIDAY, MARCH 20

Mincha 6:33 - 7:49pm
Early Candle Lighting 6:31pm
Candle Lighting 7:26pm
Earliest Shema* 8:25pm

(*repeat Shema after this time)

SHABBOS

SHABBOS, MARCH 21

SHACHARIS

Sunrise 7:38am
Shacharis before 11:42am
Latest Shema 10:41am

MINCHA

Mincha 2:15 - 7:50pm

MAARIV

Shabbos ends/Maariv 8:26pm
Maariv (Rabbeinu Tam) 8:36pm

WEEKDAY

WEEK OF MARCH 22-27

Rosh Chodesh is Thursday, March 26. The molad will be Tuesday, 10:14am and 11 chalakim.

NEXT SHABBOS

FRIDAY, MARCH 27

Candle Lighting 6:38/7:36pm

This Shabbos flyer is brought to you in loving memory of Marlene Mendel, z"l.



PARSHAS VAYAKHEL-PEKUDEI

PARSHAS HACHODESH • SHABBOS MEVARCHIM

MARCH 21, 2020 • 25 ADAR 5780

TORAH READING: P. 516 • HAFTARAH: P. 1218 • MAFTIR: P. 348



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RABBI'S SERMON by **BURT WITTENBERG** in honor of Doreen's birthday.

RABBI'S SERMON by **RABBI MAYER & RIVKA NEUBERGER** and **Rabbi Menachem & Dena Deutsch** in observance of the first yahrtzeit of their dear father, Rabbi Ari Neuberger, z"l.

RABBI'S SERMON by **ARLENE APPELROUTH** in memory of her husband Dan Appelrouth, Daniel Yaakov ben Yitzchok, z"l, on his 4th yahrtzeit.

MAZEL TOV!

Rabbi Daniel & Rivka Freitag on the engagement of their daughter Chaya to Yisrael Nechamkin of Passaic, NJ.

Rabbi Menashe & Randee Goldberger on the marriage of their daughter Shira to to Binyomin Schuck, son of Mr. & Mrs. Moshe Schuck.

Rabbi Moshe & Leah Hiller on the marriage of their son Yaakov to Shana Weiss, daughter of Bentzion & Zahava Weiss of Baltimore, MD, and to grandfather Mr. Ben Hiller.

Rabbi Mayer & Rifka Neuberger on the marriage of their daughter Malka to Hillel Eisenberg, son of Dr. Baruch & Malkie Eisenberg of Rochester, NY.

Upcoming Classes & Events

Event sign-up links and additional information available in the Sunday email.

"Maintaining Sanity in an Insane World I" *Dr. David Pelcovitz*, Wednesday, 9:00pm, VBJ Zoom. Dr. Pelcovitz will address the Beth Jacob community in a special Zoom meeting, sharing his wealth of experience and clinical knowledge, and giving guidance during these challenging times. Dr. Pelcovitz is the Psychology and Education Chair at YU's Azrielli graduate school for education. He is a highly accomplished psychologist, writer, community consultant and sought-after speaker who developed a deep connection with our community over his visit to Atlanta last January.

"Davening Alone with G-d" *Rabbi Dov Foxbrunner*, Monday, March 23, 9:00pm,

VBJ Zoom. Halachic guidelines and practical suggestions for enhancing individual prayer.

"Maintaining Sanity in an Insane World II" *Dr. Aaron Feldman*, Wednesday, March 25, 9:00pm, VBJ Zoom. Distinguished community member and highly respected psychologist Dr. Aaron Feldman will deliver the second installation in this Zoom series, providing guidance and strategies tailored to our community.

ASK Mishna Madness Tournament March 11 - April 1. Learn Mishnayos, climb the brackets, get prizes and spiritual reward! Contact Rabbi Yehuda Pollack.



PESACH NEWS YOU CAN USE

Pot Kashering, Sunday March 29 and April 5, 10:00am - 12:00pm, Meat Kitchen. Details TBA.

OU Pesach Guides are available for pickup outside the main entrance.



RABBI'S SERMON - RABBI FELDMAN WILL PRESENT A LIVE DRASHA VIA VBJ ZOOM AT 2:00PM ON FRIDAY

"What Will Emerge From Quarantine?"

There are two kinds of challenges that lie before us as we deal with the COVID-19 virus and all its consequences. One of them is oriented to the past, the other to the future. If we are not careful, we will spend too much time with one, and not enough with the other.

We have lost-- temporarily, but for a long time--many things we took for granted. We've lost connecting with others, gathering in a minyan to daven; hugging loved ones and friends; freedom to travel when and where we want; and many other luxuries of life. We are

naturally preoccupied with dealing with these losses, trying to answer an important question: how can we compensate for what we have lost? This is an important question, and we have got to be creative in answering it. At the same time, though, there is another question that deserves attention, and that is: when we emerge from this society-wide quarantine, will we be the same people coming out as we were when we went in?

I can hear some who might respond by pointing out that it is premature to ask that question, that all our efforts must go into surviving this, or at least adjusting to the situation. We are only a short while into this

"new normal," and now is not the time to be dealing with the aftermath.

But that is not the approach of a one who absorbs the message of the month of Nissan. This month is all about renewal, about creating ourselves anew. It is noteworthy that Hashem insisted that Klal Yisrael observe a Pesach seder while still in Egypt, before the redemption happened! His message: even while in captivity, be planning for who you will be once you are released.

To co-opt Rahm Emanuel's political assertion, "never let a good crisis go to

waste." As a people specializing in freedom from limitation, the time to think about our future after redemption is now. As we struggle with challenges large and small, ranging from scarcity of toilet paper to existential questions, let us be purposeful in our actions, thoughts, and relationships. We are currently creating the future individuals, community, and society we will be. If we are not careful, we will survive this crisis but waste it. As masters of freedom and creativity, what can emerge from the "ark" of quarantine can be an entirely new creature, unhindered by the limitations we had when we entered.

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