From Rabbi Chaitovsky

Shabbat Parah: It's not just clean, it's OXi-Clean!

I hope you will forgive me, but I cannot help seeing the purification ritual of the parah adumah – the so called "red" cow – detailed in Numbers 19:1-22, and about which we will read this Shabbat Parah – as the original OXi-Clean. After all, the ritual prescribes sprinkling a detergent made of water and the ashes of an all-red cow on one who had becometamei - impure. Left untreated, such impurity barred the person from participating fully in Israelite life, especially certain ceremonial rites that took place in or around the mishkan, and later, the Temple. True to the name given to the Torah portion in which it is found, Chukat, this cleansing ritual is the ultimate example of achok, a type of Torah law that is non-rational, as opposed to the more obvious and accessible social laws called mishpatim. There is, to be sure, a certain illogic to a process that purifies the one contaminated, but at the same time, contaminates the pure officiant. Traditional commentators, like Rabbi Samson Raphael Hirsch, see the non-rational nature of chukkimas a litmus test of one's loyalty to God and God's Torah. If we truly buy into the program, so to speak, we will embrace not only those laws which make immediate sense to us but even those laws that seem to defy immediate, rational explanation.

This Shabbat is also Hadassah Shabbaton which we will recognize the magnificent contributions to Jewish welfare here, in Israel and around the world, by Hadassah. Two of our very own – Norma Sierota and Joyce Koch, who lead the Greater Denver chapter of over 1800 members – will briefly update us on Hadassah's latest efforts on behalf of the Jewish People, and of people everywhere.

A word about next Shabbat: I had the chance to speak about this to every table at last week's kiddush, but I wanted to take a moment to remind everyone that next week – Saturday, March 18 – we will welcome The Denver Kehillah to daven with us in our Sanctuary. As you know, the Denver Kehillah (known as TDK), currently rents Fisher/Blitt Hall each Shabbat. They partner with us in our chapel each Friday night for a beautiful Kabbalat Shabbat, and Saturday afternoon for Mincha, Torah Study and Maariv/Havdalah. They joined us for wonderful Purim activities including the Seudah. Their usual home is not available next Shabbat, and TDK's Rabbi Gellman and I thought it would be great to daven together in our Sanctuary. It will be a great opportunity to meet and greet each other.

The special service will be a little different: We will start at 9:30. There will be a mechitza. The clergy, and men and women, from both congregations will lead and participate in the service. We will hear remarks from both Rabbi Gellman and your truly. We will enjoy a delicious kiddush together, after davening. It will be a beautiful Shabbat morning and I sincerely hope to see you in shul that morning. If you have any questions, please reach out to me. Shabbat shalom!

FRIDAY AND SHABBAT: MARCH 10-11 / ADAR 17-18 HADASSAH SHABBAT

Daylight Savings this Saturday Night

Candle Lighting - 5:41 PM BMH-BJ / TDK Kabbalat Shabbat - 5:45 PM in the Chapel

> Shabbat Day Services: Chapel/Shaarei Simcha - 9:00 AM

Main Sanctuary - 9:45 AM

Torah portion-Ki Sisa 30:11-38:20 (AS 484) Maftir Parah- 19:1-22 (AS 838) Haftarah – Ezeikiel 36:16-38 (AS 1216)

Special Presentation After Services in honor of Hadassah Shabbat

Kiddush is sponsored by BMH-BJ

BMH-BJ / TDK Mincha, Refreshments and Torah learning

with - Rabbi Chaitovsky
in the Gallery - 5:30 PM
Shabbat ends/Haydalah - 6:44 PM

Minyan Next Week: Mar 12th - Mar 17th

Please note that our minyan will NOT meet in the chapel on Sun-Tues. We will meet at the home of Dr John Kregarman who is sitting shiva for his wife, Shoshana, obm.

His address is 754 S Oneida Way (corner of Walsh). Your presence at morning—and evening—services is definitely encouraged.

Sunday 8:30 AM & 5:40 PM Monday 6:45 AM & 5:40 PM Tuesday 6:45 PM

> Wednesday 6:45 AM Thursday 6:30 AM Friday 6:45 AM

Refuah Sheleima/Speedy Recovery

Avraham Issur ben Chaya, Joe Bean (Yosef HaLevi ben Rachel),
Avraham ben Sara, Jeffrey Blum (Yaakov ben Golda Sima),
Bracha bat Basha, Esther bat Chana, Linda Fox, Alisa Garner,
Jeff Geller, Linda Gornbein, Debbie Greenberg (Devorah Leah bat
Ita Liba), Elaine Greenberg, Francine Greenberg (Feige Esther bat Ita
Liba), Dov Heller (Nachman Dovid ben Reizel), Anna Hemd, Arie Kimel
(Yehuda Arye ben Miriam), Leib ben Chasha, Yitzchak ben Beile
(Isaac Krajmalnik), Shraga Feivel ben Sima (Fabian Krajmalnik),
Jeff and Miriam Miller, Valerie Miller, Mordechai Refael ben Perel,
Barbara Oxman, Harold Rosen (Chaim Fidel ben Fruma),
Evelyn Rosemberg (Rut bat Ida), Rivka Aviva bat Esther,
Ron Saliman, Lilian Schaeffer, Dr. William Silvers
(Zev Shmuel ben Heleina), Jay Stark, Yaakov ben Sarah,
Yaakov ben Rivka, Pam Zeldin

Classes This Week

Daily - Daf Yomi - Rabbi Fleischmann - 7:30 AM and 75 minutes after Shabbat ends on Saturday night

WhatsApp Dial in number: 701-802-5213 ; Access code: 8622667 Online meeting ID: mfleischmann7

Monday-Sefer haChinuch with Rabbi Stern 8 PM (Miller Library)

Tuesday- with Rabbi Chaitovsky -Getting it Right: Misconceptions About Jewish History, Holidays and Practice "The Many Meanings of Pesach" 7:15 PM on Zoom.

Wednesday-Devarim Verse by Verse Rabbi Chaitovsky 7:45 AM (Zoom) Click HERE to Join

Wednesday- Torah from Israel with Ellyn Hutt 11:00 AM-12:00 PM (zoom), Click HERE for the Zoom link

Practical Parsha - Shabbat morning at 10:30 AM with Sara Wolfe - In Preschool Classroom 110



Friday March 10, 2023 /17 Adar 5783

Alex Avrutina, Sam Cohen, Roy Joseph Cotton, Jacob Emeson, Bessie Fine, Rachel Froind, Milton Gertz, Julia Goalstone, Moses L. Goldblatt, Margot Goldman, Morris Greenberg, Stella Grossfeld, Lisa Japha, Mira Kaydanov, Nathan Kellmer, Boris Kleyner, Irving Levine, Louis Lipson, Florence Seff Locke, Abe Mandel, Julius Nashelsky, Louis Nathan, Ty Nelowet, Sara Pomeranz, Yakov Rafailov, Sam Rifkin, Jake Sandusky, Perel Bas Mayer Sherman, Shirley Shidler, Ida G. Sorkin, Ben Stark, Kasiel Steinhardt, Chayim Yisrael Stern, Joe Sternberg, Max Waxman, Lillian Wedgle, Samuel Weiner, Morris Zar, Max Ziniuk, Edward Zucker

Shabbat March 11, 2023 /18 Adar 5783

Rose Camen, Mirel Carl, Albert Cohen, Samuel E. Devine, Janice Dwyer, Jack Fischer, Israel Gevisser, Esther Gergis Goodman, Freda Sandusky Greinetz, Jacob Jeff, Margaret Kay, Leon Klinger, Max Lerner, Shoene K. Levy, Robert E. Loup, Anna Lustig, Morris Lutz, Louis Mandel, Stanley Melnick, Murray Morgan, Louis Mosko, Elizabeth Neustaedter, Minnie Pevnick, Sarah S. Politzer, Bernice Potashnick, Yetta Reflow, Edwin Harold Reinitz, John L. Robbins, Rena Rotbart, Minnie Rothchild, Meyer Schiff, Ann J. Silberberg, Ben D. Silverstone, Mildred Slifka, Sophie Stein, Friederike Stern, Elsie Talpers, Joseph Touriel, Joseph Turner, Cecelia Weiner, Max Weisbly, Aaron Nathaniel Weiss, Mildred Zeldin, Annie Zohn

Sunday March 12, 2023 /19 Adar 5783

Harold H. Aarons, Rosa Aven, Moneta K. Axler-Bailey, Gayle Boxer, Penny Brown, Ellen Pinchick Cohen, Martin Farber, Elsa Finesilver, Debra Frank, Blanche Jacobstein, Linda Kaufmann, Fannie Kerson, David Moshe Koladicki, Libby Krause, May Kuper, Sadie Lapin, Eugenie Lenczner, Annie Lesser, Celia Weiss Leventhal, Lena Levine, Sarah Marcus, Martha Miller, Annie Newman, Ruth Minnie Perotin, Charles Potter, Harold Pringle, Morris Richman, Sam Rosenberg, Etta Roth, Shlomo Schamus, Stanley Scheuer, Minna Chasah Slansky, Robert Snyder, Morris Soltz, Rose Steinberg, Harriet Levinson Wandel, Joseph Wedgle, Hannah Weindrop, Sheldon Weissman, Samuel Wittow, Samuel Zall, Rita Zhadan

Monday March 13, 2023 / 20 Adar 5783

Sam Arkin, Klara Bachrach, Rose Balaban, Sally Berk-Cohn, Max Berman, Joyce Helene Bershader, William Bilett, Sidney Blacher, Florence Bornstein, Ephraim J. Bronstein, Samuel Castel, Bessie Cohn, Sally Cohn, Sara Coopersmith, Minnie Engbar, Bert Epstein, Louis Garner, Hazel Gensberg, Maurice Goodside, Charles Guber, Lorayne Hilvitz, Bernard Jacobs, Rivel Sager Johnson, George Kamerling, Bernard Karshmer, Libbie Lande, Rose Leder, Mike Licht, Kate Lipson, Zhenya Litvak, Peter Marcove, Jake M. Miller, Martin Milstein, Molly Nussbaum, Solomon Paper, Isaac Pepper, David Polis, Marcella S. Rosen, Rabbi Phillip Rosenberg, Gertrude Schiff, Mary Schwartz, Selma Sparig, David Suson, Sadie Tyor

Tuesday March 14, 2023 /21 Adar 5783

Max Axel, Rose Bobrick Barsky, Rose Berezin, Goldie Bernstein, Philip Carroll, Benjamin David Cohen, Rebecca Cooper, Stella Cooper, Bertha Cowen, Phyllis Marcove Deutsch, Lena Engle, Frieda Esbitz, Joshua Fixman, Shirley Franklin, Barbara Garam, Leyzer Gleyzer, Rose Goldstein, Mollie Goodman, Nettie Karsh, Marcus Kassov, Larisa Katsovich, Solomon Kaufman, Toni Kern, Daniel Klaiman, Armin Klein, David Sacks Krause, Jack F. Lipan, Isaac Lustman, Ida Mendelsohn, Harry Morris, Maria Novoseletsky, David Pearl, Shapsi Zelig Radetsky, Max H. Ray, Chaka Richman, Rachel Rosen, Samuel Rothchild, Judith Schwartz, Janice Selix, Gitel Sherman, Rose Siegel, Louis Silver, Sam Silverberg, Irving W. Slatkin, Mata Snyder, Abram Tordjman, Walter Vasen

Wednesday March 15, 2023 /22 Adar 5783

Fira Abugova, Jacques Adrian, Jacob L. Berman, Sam Cohen, Carl Dare, Esther B. Gold, Ruth L. Goldhammer, Eli Golubow, Isaac Gorodina, David Gottlieb, Morris Haber, Ida Hayutin, Rudolph Hertz, Harris Katchen, Dora Katz, Philip Kent, Milton Klein, Froim Kushnir, Max Levin, Sonia Levitt, Bertha Maslin, Sol Allen Miller, Sophia Needler, Dora Pepper, Frances Pluss, Ruth Potashnick, Naftoly Rapoport, Captain Norman Saliman, Lee Shames, Anna Shulman, Elizabeth Yanish Shwayder, Harvey E. Simon, Vivian Stappler, Helen Stark, Yetta Struie, Joseph Svarny, Isaac S. Veinerman, Vernie Webb, William Wexall, Marlene J. Zekman

Thursday March 16, 2023 /23 Adar 5783

Joan Marie Alpert, Solomon Alterson, Matilda Bechar Assa, Mary Bezoff, Schulim Buchwald, Reyza Burdman, Aleksandr Chernyak, Leah Cohen, Selma Munter Edelman, Mina Frenkel, Pearl Frosh, Ian Gilbert, Berta Goodman, Harry Goodstein, Bertha Greenberg, Semen Gurevich, Morris Handler, Arnold Hayutin, Herman Hersh, Dorothy Hirschfeld, Louis Hyman, Malka Kranitz, Kenneth E. Kurtz, Goldine Lackner, William Lutsk, Mary Mandel, Labe Medoff, Anna Messinger, Minnie Nierenberg, Eleanor Pepper, Zelma Perlov, Max Pester, Samuel Reiff, Albert S. Roland, Helen Ross, Eleonore Rothschild, Marcia Rubenstein, Fannie R. Soltz, Betty Enrich Starr, Miriam Toledano, Celia Weinberg



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New Places to get Kosher Wine and Liquor

As many of you are aware, the recent closing of Grape Vine Liquors has greatly impacted the Denver Jewish community. For 35 years, it was a place to purchase affordable kosher beer, wine and liquor that will surely be missed. Luckily, two local stores have stepped up to fill the need left behind, each stocking over 50 new kosher selections and committing to add more.

Mayfair Liquors, located at 14th Ave and Krameria St.

Matthew the owner is offering to stock anything that you'd like and invites the community to contact him at matthew@mayfairliquors.com

JPAD Liquors, located at 560 S Holly St # 4, Denver, CO 80246 For questions about what's in stock you can reach out to the owner, Jatin Padhia at 303-321-5385 and he will do his best assist.



Evil: A Brief Biography



About this Class

Is evil manmade or divine? Do evil things happen due to our own faulty actions or are there forces of evil constantly trying to disrupt the divine plan? This class does not attempt to answer these questions. Rather, we shall go on a textual journey through the bustling port city of Alexandria through to the lavender blossoming fields of medieval Provance, to see how Jewish intellectual giants grappled with these questions.

Meet the Speaker Dr. Donnie Schnytzer

Jonnie Schnytzer is probably the only PhD in Jewish Philosophy, focusing on medieval kabbalah. His dissertation focused on the scientific kabbalah of Rabbi Joseph ben Shalom Ashkenazi. Jonnie's forthcoming book is about Ashkenazi's Kabbalah as well as a critical edition of the kabbalist's magestic commentary on Sefer Yesira.

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Happening This Month

Shabbat, March 18, 2023

We look forward to welcoming Rabbi Barry Gelman and The Denver Kehillah into our Sanctuary for a very special Shabbat morning service. Service will start at 9:30 am. There will be a mechitza. The clergy, as well as men and women of both congregations, will lead and participate in the service.

A delicious kiddush will follow.

Songs of the Haggadah with Cantor Goldstein

Thursday, March 23, 2023,
7:00 pm - 8:00 pm on Zoom
Bring your Haggadot as we sing our way through the
Haggadah and discuss many topics. Bring your memories of
Sedareem of the past.
Zoom Meeting ID: 285 350 9174

Special Piano Recital on March 26th at 2pm

Join us for an afternoon of beautiful music with Dandan Wu and Greta Dilyte

Dandan Wu is piano performer and teacher from China. She received her Bachelor of Music degree in Music Performance from Portland State University. Currently studying with Dr. Stephanie Cheng, she is going to graduate from the University of Denver this summer with a Masters in Piano Performance. Dandan has a lot of performance and teaching experience in the USA and China, however she most enjoys collaborative piano including Wind Ensemble and duo piano. Dandan and Greta partnered in 2022 and this is their first public performance with Debussy Petite Suite. Greta Dilyte is piano teacher and performer from Vilnius, Lithuania. She received her Bachelor of Music in Piano Performance from the University of Aberdeen, Scotland. This June Greta is going to graduate from the University of Denver with a Masters in Piano performance and Piano Pedagogy. She has been studying piano under Dr. Stephanie Cheng. Before coming to Denver, Greta worked as a piano teacher in London, UK. Currently she is a teaching assistant at the Piano Preparatory program at the Lamont School of Music, where she will continue teaching after completing her studies. Greta loves partnering with other pianists for four-hand duets and has been giving recitals all over the UK and Europe. Fun Fact: Greta is the former piano teacher of professional Swiss tennis player Roger Federer's children.

Abortion 2023:

A Collision of Medicine, Politics and Religion

Wednesday, March 29, 2023 at 7:30 pm in the Chapel
Dr. Herzl Melmed and Rabbi Yaakov Chaitovsky on one of the hot
bed issues of our time.

Pre-Pesach

PASTA



Let us cook for you

Sunday night, April 2, 2023 at 5:00 pm in the Social Hall Take an evening off from cleaning and join us for a pre-Pesach Pasta Party featuring garlic bread, soup, salad, and pastas. Registration info coming soon.