

Parshat Vayikra/Parshat Hachodesh Shabbat Rosh Chodesh

Friday 16th March 2018

Candle Lighting	6.45pm
Mincha	6.30pm
Maariv	6.45pm

Shabbat 17th March 2018

Shacharit	9.00am
Mincha	6.35pm
Maariv	7.48pm

Kashering of keilim for Pesach Sunday 25th March 10am to 12pm

A word from the Rabbi

SACRIFICE

The entire book of Vayikra deals with the temple service in general and sacrifices in particular. Whereas the concept of sacrifice may seem foreign to the modern mind, in fact, we all sacrifice to some extent in our normal lives.

Not only do we sacrifice, but it is often a litmus test of the closeness and genuineness of a relationship. The more one is prepared to sacrifice for a relationship, the dearer the relationship is.

It is interesting that the root of the Hebrew word for sacrifice is K-R-V — the same word used for closeness.

The sacrificial service is where the 'sacrificer' shows his or her devotion through the sacrifice they offer. The significance is in the act, rather than the item being sacrificed. A sacrifice should represent sincerity and devotion.

But we cannot sacrifice for others unless we are conscious of the act we are performing. One cannot sacrifice by rote; there needs to be heart and there needs to be emotion.

The challenge of spiritual Judaism is preventing divine sacrifice from morphing into something meaningless, something that is just a ritual.

Is keeping kosher a sacrifice? It may be expensive, but is it a sacrifice? Where is the heart and where is the emotional desire for closeness?

I sacrifice because I love.

The Torah desires to instil a sense of love for Hashem through the sacrifices, not fear and dread.

Shabbat shalom

We wish a hearty Mazal Tov on your Bar/Bat Mitzvah Anniversary to:

Yoram Drutman
Darren Levin
Yoni Rosenbaum

David Goldberg
Matthew Levin
Brian Solomon

Patrick Cemal
Steve Rabie

We wish a hearty Mazal Tov on your Wedding Anniversary to:

Jonathan and Lesley Abelsohn
David and Ros Glaser
Chad and Nicole Lurie
Julian and Leigh Miller
Ivor and Rochelle Trakman

Harry and Gerda Gers
Richard and Lydia Lazarus
Albert and Ilana Michels
Bentley and Helene Sacks

We wish long life to the following Members who commemorate Yartzeit this week:

Hylton Bernstein
Anthony Rom
Rennie Chertkow
Lewis Folb
Rennie Chertkow
Lauri Sherman
Bentley Sacks
Avigdor Saks and
Sarya Saks

for his mother
for his grandfather
for her father in law
for his brother
for her brother
for her father
for his father

Sadie Bernstein
Jacob Chernotsky
Chaim Chertkow
David Folb
Isaac Joffe
Alan Michel
Arnold Sacks

Helen Einstein
Richard Shakenovsky
Elana Resnik

for their mother
for her mother
for his brother
for her brother

Pesia Saks
Iris Schuk
David Shakenovsky
Leor Yudelowitz

ISRAEL UPDATE



with **UIA CEO**

Yair Miller OAM

March 2 & 16

April 6

@6pm



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EXPLORATIONS IN TOLERANCE AND DIFFERENCE

THURSDAY 22ND FEBRUARY

Rabbi Jeffrey Kamins
Rabbi Temple Emmanuel Woolhara

THE FUTURE OF JUDAISM & THE JEWISH PEOPLE

THURSDAY 22ND MARCH

Hilmi Dabbgh
Palestinian Refugee

THE STORY OF A REFUGEE

THURSDAY 19 APRIL

Rabbi Eli Cohen
Rabbi Newtown Shul

OF MESSIAHS & REBBES

THURSDAY 10 MAY

Rabbi Nicole Roberts
Rabbi Temple Emmanuel Chatswood

INTERMARRIAGE EMBRACE OR REJECT?

THURSDAY 7 JUNE

Dr Masheed Ansari
Centre of Islamic Studies and Civilisation

ISLAM FROM THE INSIDE

***ALL SESSIONS BEGIN AT 8PM**

SHALOM BAYIT

Psycho-Biblical Case Studies with Practical Applications A COURSE FOR COUPLES, PARENTS & EVERYONE ELSE

This course serves to understand how conflict and dysfunction occur in our relationships. Every relationship goes through periods of dysfunction, often resulting from unmet needs, miscommunication and unrealistic expectations. This issue is not new; the Torah abounds with stories of families in conflict.

Shalom Bayit, as a Jewish value, seeks to form familial harmony by supporting purposeful and meaningful relationships. Every person can, and will, benefit from understanding the mechanics of conflict and the toolkit needed to resolve them.

I strongly encourage every person who is in a meaningful relationship, which they care about maintaining and strengthening, to attend the series.

**WEDNESDAY 14 FEBRUARY
COMMUNICATING EFFECTIVELY**

**WEDNESDAY 14 MARCH
NEEDS & WANTS**

**WEDNESDAY 11 APRIL
EXPECTATIONS & DISAPPOINTMENTS**

**WEDNESDAY 9 MAY
PROJECTIONS & TRANSFERENCE**

ALL CLASSES @8PM IN THE BEIT MEDRASH



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Daily program & booking details coming soon