

# Ma Nishma

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PARASHAT VAYEISHEV

SHABBAT MEVAREKHIM HAHODESH

**Rosh Hodesh  
Tevet:  
Dec 24 & Dec 25**

## SHABBAT TORAH READINGS

### Torah

Genesis 37:1 - 40:23 בראשית  
Etz Hayim pg. 226

### Haftarah

Amos 2:6 - 3:8 עמוס  
Etz Hayim pg. 247

## SHABBAT SCHEDULE

Kabbalat Shabbat/Ma'ariv 6:00 pm  
Candlelighting (December 16) 4:23 pm  
Shaharit 9:00 am  
Shabbat Kids Club 10:00 am  
Minha/Ma'ariv\* 4:15 pm  
Havdalah 5:23 pm  
All services are In Person and LiveStreamed  
*\*No LiveStream for Minha/Ma'ariv*

## WEEKDAY SERVICE TIMES

### Morning Services @ Adath Israel:

Sunday 8:30 am  
Monday to Friday 7:30 am

### Evening Services @ Beth Tikvah:

Sunday 4:35 pm  
Monday to Thursday 7:00 pm

### Mazal Tov to:

**Laya & Jeff Weissberger** on the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter **Amy Natalie Weissberger**. Grandfather is **Milton Rusonik**. (Minha/Ma'ariv)



Over the past few weeks BTW has been preparing sandwiches for Ve'ahava both at the shul and in members' homes. Together we have made 1,100 sandwiches for the homeless. What an achievement! A huge thank you to all our absolutely fabulous volunteers who made this possible.

### Seudah is co-sponsored by:

**Laya & Jeff Weissberger** in honour of the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter, **Amy**

**Rabbi Grover will be leaving on an extended holiday beginning on December 22nd. Rabbi Zilbershtein will be handling all rabbinic duties while he is away. We wish him the best for his time away and look forward to his return in the Spring.**



## Torah on Tour

### Joseph's Prerequisites for Acting Good by Rabbi Jarrod Grover

The story of Joseph in the house of Potiphar and his interaction with Potiphar's wife can teach us a great deal about how we should live. Potiphar's wife tries to seduce Joseph, and Joseph responds that he will not succumb to temptation on two accounts: "No one is greater in this house than I am. My master has withheld nothing from me except you, because you are his wife. How then could I do such a wicked thing and sin against God?" (Gen 39:9)

Within Joseph's words is the appropriate approach to measuring the correctness of our actions. First, Joseph considers the human impact of his actions and understands that committing adultery would be a sin against Potiphar, not

only because she is his wife, but also because of the trust that Potiphar had placed in him. Adultery would be a supreme violation of that trust. Second, even if Joseph had no feelings of respect and gratitude towards Potiphar, he would still not succumb to temptation because it would be a sin against God.

Joseph models for us the considerations that we are supposed to have when determining our actions. If our actions would hurt someone else, then even if we could rationalize those actions as not being a technical violation against God, it would still be wrong. And even if an action does not hurt anyone, we still must evaluate whether that activity is allowed according to the code by

which we are supposed to live our lives.

Joseph's thoughtfulness sets him apart. He holds himself to two high standards: one standard is the Halacha test. The other standard is the "mensch test". Even if something could be construed as permissible based on the Halacha test, if we are to emulate Joseph then we will avoid any activity that doesn't pass the Mensch test too. Torah is distorted when it is used to justify improper behavior towards others. A person who claims to be Torah observant but hurts others is a hypocrite. Let us never allow there to be daylight between being observant and being a mensch.



## UPCOMING PROGRAMS

### Happy Hanukkah



DONATE TOYS AT HANUKKAH PALOOZA!

CHAI LIFELINE

TOY  DRIVE

SHARE A TOY  
GIVE THEM JOY

DROP OFF NEW TOYS AND GAMES  
IN THE DONATION BOX INSIDE THE  
BETH TIKVAH FRONT DOORS

LEARNING WITH  
BRACHA FEDER



### TOWARDS HANUKKAH

Wednesday, December 21 at 1PM on Zoom

From Darkness to Light:  
Poetic, Prosaic, Pragmatic Strategies

### Restore Your Mind & Body

Restorative Yoga and Meditation Therapy

with Orli Ziv



Thursday, December 22 at 10AM  
on Zoom

### ASK THE EXPERT

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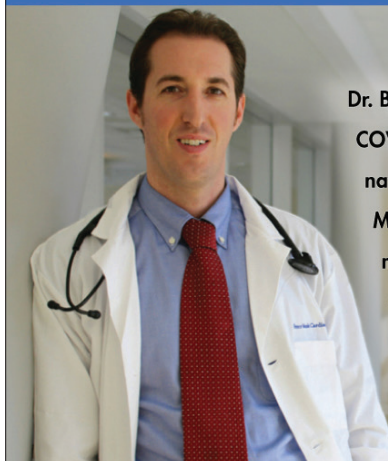


with Infectious Disease Specialist,  
DR. ISAAC BOGOCH



THURSDAY, JANUARY 12th AT 7:45 PM

ON ZOOM



Dr. Bogoch will update us on  
COVID & the Flu and how we can  
navigate the winter ahead.  
Moderating the discussion will be our  
members, Dr. Howard Price  
and Dr. Ronald Laxer.

Questions for Dr. Bogoch  
can be sent to Gayle:  
[gayle@bethtikvahtoronto.org](mailto:gayle@bethtikvahtoronto.org)

REGISTER TODAY!



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The  
WANDERING  
Chew

### Sunday Morning MONTREAL BAGEL WORKSHOP with the Wandering Chew

Sunday, January 15, 2023  
11:00 am on Zoom

Learn to make authentic Montreal bagels with  
**Kat Romanow of The Wandering Chew**, for  
the full Montreal experience. We all know that  
St-Viateur and Fairmount make the best bagels  
in Montréal but did you know that you can easily  
make them too?!

With some minimal pantry ingredients, Kat will  
be teaching you how to roll, boil, and bake a  
classic Montreal bagel. It's easier than you think!

Once you sign up you'll receive the list of the  
ingredients and pre-workshop instructions you'll  
need to cook along with Kat.





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### ICE CREAM SUNDAE HAVDALLAH



**SATURDAY, JANUARY 21  
7:00PM - 9:00PM**

**FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY!**

Join us for a beautiful Havdallah Service  
and then...

- Build your own ice cream sundae!
- Play board games
- Be a part of something special!

**REGISTER TODAY!**

**FREE!**



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### BOARD GAME NIGHT AT BETH TIKVAH

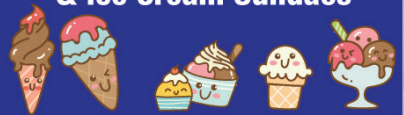
**SATURDAY, JANUARY 21**

**7:30PM - 9:30PM**

### ICE CREAM SUNDAE HAVDALLAH

And feel free to come  
at 7PM

for Havdallah  
& Ice Cream Sundaes



Learn new  
games or try  
your strategies  
on games you  
know!

Join Daniel &  
crew for more  
fun with Board  
Games!

No Cost



### HELP FEED THE HOMELESS:

**A BETH TIKVAH WOMEN PROJECT**

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### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

With sky-high food prices and the rising cost of rental accommodation, many people are finding it extremely challenging to keep a roof over their heads. We recognize that the number of people living on the street is growing in our city, so during the coming months we will be providing the non-profit organization, Ve'ahavta, with much needed sandwiches and baked goods.

#### NEW DATES FOR 2023:

January 16th and 30th  
February 13th and 27th  
March 13th.

**We meet at 11:00am-12:00pm  
in the Beth Tikvah Assembly Hall on the lower level.**

Together we can prepare sandwiches, that will be distributed to the homeless by Ve'ahavta's outreach vans.

If you available for an hour, then please consider joining us!  
For the safety of everyone, all volunteers will be required to wear a mask.

To volunteer, or further information,  
please contact Adele (adelew@rogers.com)  
or Sasha (sashaschaeffer1@gmail.com)



Beth Tikvah Synagogue  
Israel Affairs Committee Presents:

### IDDO NETANYAHU The Yoni Netanyahu Story

**A TWO-PART PROGRAM**



#### Part 1

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 28**

**AT 7:30 PM**

(in-person or on Zoom)

Watch the film with us!

### FOLLOW ME

THE YONI NETANYAHU STORY



Iddo  
Netanyahu

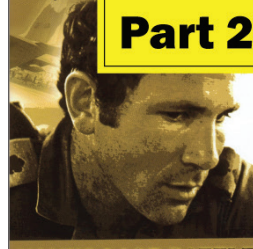
#### Part 2

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 29**

**AT 11:00 AM**

(on Zoom)

Our program continues with  
Iddo Netanyahu, live from Israel  
on Zoom to discuss the movie  
and his book *Yoni's Last Battle:  
The Rescue at Entebbe, 1976*



**YONI'S LAST BATTLE**

The Rescue at Entebbe, 1976

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# YAHREZEITS

This week, we commemorate the yahrzeits of the following people

## Friday, December 16

Carol Freeman z"l, sister of Stephen Freeman  
June Goodes z"l, mother of Betty Perlman  
Annie Price z"l, mother of Lilyan Gruneir  
Rose Schacht z"l, mother of Sari Krandel  
Morris Joel Silverberg z"l, father of Ronna Birnboim  
Fay Silverman z"l, mother of Lionel Silverman  
Joshua Singer z"l, son of Louise Singer  
Shep Snider z"l, father of Elaine Blackstien

## Saturday, December 17

Sarina Amato z"l, mother of Norman Amato  
Betty Appel z"l, mother of Stanley Appel  
Harry Armel z"l, brother of Sol Armel  
Pearl Caproff z"l, mother of Marion Kashin  
Israel Churgin z"l, father of Phyllis Morais  
Molly Felsen z"l, mother of Shimon Felsen  
Hillel Kohn z"l, father of Daniel Kohn  
Sonia Posner z"l, sister of Victor Morais  
Alex Preszler z"l, father of Gertrude and Robert Preszler  
Clara Rosen z"l, mother of Mindle Levitt  
Harold Rosenberg Benson z"l, father of Cynthia Suissa  
Amos Rubin z"l, father of Eric Rubin  
Anne Spegel z"l, mother of Marshall Spegel  
Joseph Weisbrod z"l, father of Myrna Zeidenberg  
Norman Witten z"l, brother of Lynn Morris

## Sunday, December 18

Toby Akum z"l, sister of Shimon Felsen  
Blanche Cohen z"l, mother of Geraldine Stewart  
Benjamin Haberman z"l, father of Frances Macarz  
Nathan Honickman z"l, father of Linda Brodey  
Harry Mandel z"l, father of Bernice Mlotek  
Alexander Michaels z"l, father of Marilynn Lockwood  
Solomon Isaac Neuringer z"l, father of Myrna Levy

## Monday, December 19

Steven Blumberger z"l, husband of Claudia Blumberger  
Sidney Brown z"l, father of Adrienne Katz  
Michael Garmaise z"l, husband of Bryna Garmaise  
Yetti Ptack z"l, mother of Deanna Cass

## Tuesday, December 20

Harry Dolman z"l, father of Harvey Dolman  
Jennie Feldbloom z"l, mother of Kenneth Feldbloom  
Sally Goldkind z"l, mother of Marilyn Seltzer  
Beatrice Kelman z"l, wife of Norman Kelman

## Wednesday, December 21

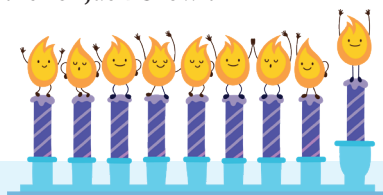
Marion Cohen z"l, sister of Carol Hacker  
Louis Taks z"l, father of Eileen Mendelsohn  
Berenice Zacks z"l, mother of Susan Steinberg

## Thursday, December 22

Frances Biderman z"l, mother of Earl Biderman  
Joseph Blumenthal z"l, father of Marcia Baum  
Judy Danzig z"l, sister of Yehuda Danzig  
Lois Michaels z"l, wife of Howard Michaels  
Jacob Pilc z"l, father of Itzhak Pilc  
Bernice Walder z"l, mother of Sharon Walder

## Friday, December 23

Ida Atkin z"l, sister of Gerald Garshon  
Gertrude Diamond z"l, mother of Rhonda Newman  
Frooma Epstein z"l, mother of Ian Epstein  
Jerry Freeman z"l, partner of Sara Wunch Glick  
Ytche Myer Gelbloom z"l, father of Abraham Gelbloom  
Sarah Gold z"l, mother of Jackie Friedman  
Ezra Jamous z"l, father of Nina Srouf  
Sylvia Kaplan z"l, mother of Beverly Schaeffer  
Ada Silverberg z"l, mother of Ronna Birnboim  
Shirley Sone z"l, mother of Gershon Sone  
Rose Steiner z"l, mother of Jack Steiner  
Bessie Urowitz z"l, mother of Jack Urowitz



The Administrative Office will be closed:  
Dec. 26-27 & Jan. 2.  
The office staff will be working remotely:  
Dec. 28-30

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Senior Rabbi: Jarrod Grover  
Assistant Rabbi: Alisa Zilbershtein  
Hazzan: Tibor Kovari  
Ritual Director: Irv Kirshenblat  
Executive Director: Rivka Campbell  
President: Barbara Albert

## COMING UP AT BETH TIKVAH

Sat.	Dec. 17 • Shabbat Kids Club	10:00 AM
Sun.	Dec. 18 • <u>H</u> anukkah Palooza ( <i>Registration Required</i> )	3:00 PM
Wed.	Dec. 21 • Learn with Bracha Feder: Towards <u>H</u> anukkah	1:00 PM
Thurs.	Dec. 22 • Restorative Yoga with Orli Ziv (on Zoom)	10:00 AM

A portion of funds raised at Bingo World Richmond Hill helps to support programs at Beth Tikvah Synagogue



## UPCOMING EVENTS