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BETH
TIKVAH
SYNAGOGUE



Shabbat Shalom



7 TEVET, 5782 / DECEMBER 11, 2021

PARASHAT VAYIGGASH

SHABBAT TORAH READINGS

Torah

Genesis 44:18 - 47:27
Etz Hayim pg. 274

Haftarah

Yehezkel 37:15 - 28
Etz Hayim pg. 291

SHABBAT SCHEDULE

Candlelighting (Dec. 3) 4:23 pm
Kabbalat Shabbat/Ma'ariv 6:00 pm
Shaharit (RSVP Required) 9:00 am
Minhah/Ma'ariv 4:15 pm
Havdalah 5:23 pm
Vaccinated members and guests are welcome to join us in-person for all Shabbat and weekday evening services.

WEEKDAY SERVICE TIMES

Sunday-Thursday 8:30 am/7:00 pm
Friday 8:30 am/6:00 pm

Asarah B'Tevet is on Tuesday

Please note, Sunday-Thursday morning services are only on Zoom. Please see our semi-weekly email for exact coordinates.

Mazal Tov to:

Erica Stivelman and David Freiman on their recent *aufruf* on Thursday, December 9.

Samantha and Mark Romeo on the naming of their daughter, **Nola Romeo**. Grandfather is **Tom Meisels**.

Tina and Alden Birman, on the Bar Mitzvah of their son, **Joshua Birman**. Grandparents are **Marilyn and Norton Birman**. (*Minha/Maariv*)

Thank you to our Sponsors:

Kiddush is sponsored by:

Samantha and Mark Romeo in honour of the Baby Naming of their daughter, **Nola**.

Seudah is co-sponsored by:

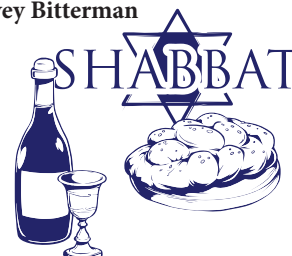
The Birman Family in honour of **Joshua's Bar Mitzvah**

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Torah on Tour

With Rabbi Grover



Decision or Destiny?

In Parashat Vayiggash, Joseph dramatically reveals his identity to his brothers. The brothers fully expect that from his position of power and authority, Joseph will wreak vengeance upon them for having sold him into slavery. Instead, Joseph offers a theological "get out of jail free" card: You, my brothers, didn't send me here—God did, so that I would be in a position to save the Jewish people from famine.

In many ways, this is troubling. Did God truly control these events, thus bringing suffering in this family's life? Or was this a fulfillment of Jewish destiny, laying its groundwork by placing the Jewish people in Egypt, where, in later centuries, they would become slaves in need of liberation? Or perhaps, this was a way for Joseph to let his brothers off the hook toward a reconciliation he could live with?

The contemporary commentator, Nechama Leibowitz, offers an insight which preserves our free will while valuing the role of God in our lives: "Fortunate is he to whom it is granted to detect in the metamorphoses of his daily existence and the vicissitudes of her personal affairs, the workings of Providence—a mission on which he has been sent by God."

We are called to live our lives fully, consciously, and responsibly, and yet still to seek ways to recognize and align our efforts with God's vision for a better world.

**VIRTUAL
TORAH
Study**

We invite you to join Morley Goldberg, on Friday, December 17th at 1 PM on Zoom for a virtual Torah Study on Parashat Vayhi. (*There is no Torah Study Dec. 10*)

Please refer to the semi-weekly email for the link or contact daniel@bethtikvahtoronto.org.

PROGRAMMING AT BT

WHAT'S NOW

Morning Learning with Rabbi Grover

Monday Mornings at 9:45 AM
in-person & on Zoom

Using the Haggadah as our blueprint, we review the rituals and the readings of the Passover seder to reveal the ancient truths and wisdom found inside.

No RSVP Required

Final class this Monday. Class will resume in March



Beth Tikvah Welcomes Award-Winning, Canadian Artists, Jennifer Podemski, Tamara Podemski and Sarah Podemski!

Monday, December 13 at 7:30 pm
(In-person and Virtual)



From left to right (Sarah, Jennifer and Tamara)

Tamara, Jennifer and Sarah Podemski are film and television actresses, producers, and content-creators who are of Anishinaabe/Ashkenazi descent. Having grandparents who are both Holocaust survivors and Residential School survivors, the sisters will speak openly about issues of intergenerational trauma, reconciliation, inherited legacies and the importance of creating safe spaces for dialogue, education and collaboration.

Rabbi Louis Sachs will lead a moderated discussion, followed by an audience led Q&A session.

This program has been generously co-sponsored by Marcia & Arthur Zalev & Family



Restorative Yoga and Meditation Therapy with Orli Ziv *Refresh your mind and your body!*

Orli Ziv starts a new 6-week session Thursday, January 6 at 10:00 am, in-person at Beth Tikvah.

Register on the Beth Tikvah website



WHAT'S NOW

BETH TIKVAH AND BETH DAVID SYNAGOGUES PRESENT

**SATURDAY
DECEMBER 18, @ 7PM**

FEATURING
HAZZANIM:
**TIBOR KOVARI &
MARSHALL LOOMER**
AND THE BETH TIKVAH BAND

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(ALSO LIVE ON YOUTUBE)

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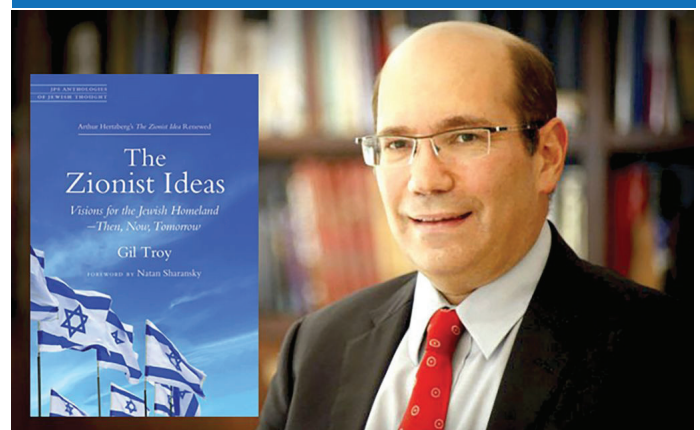
Walk with Beth Tikvah!

Come out, schmooze and get some exercise with Beth Tikvah members on our next walk, happening Wednesday, December 15 at 1:30 PM at Earl Bales ravine. We will meet in parking lot beneath the bridge on Sheppard Avenue For more info, call Merle at 416-722-2151!

Professor Gil Troy

Why I Am a Zionist

Progressive Zionism in a Post-Zionist World



Sunday, 19 December, 2021 @ 4:00 pm on Zoom
Register on the Beth Tikvah Website

PROGRAMMING AT BT

COMING IN JANUARY

BETH TIKVAH TEEN FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM

Teens will meet once a month with Rabbi Sachs and a special guest expert to discuss topics selected BY teens and FOR teens.

Topics Include:

- Can we critique Israel and still love it?
- How Can Jews be Allies for Social Justice (looking at mental health, physical health, and supporting the LGBTQ+ community)?
- How to become a Changemaker in our community and beyond

Teens: Earn a Scholarship!

We are now offering \$360 to Teens who attend all 6 of the sessions, and \$180 to teens who attend minimum 4 sessions. If Teens attend 3 sessions they will have their names added to a raffle draw at the end of the program.

Questions? Contact Rabbi Louis at rabbisachs@bethtikvahtoronto.org

Dates:
Sundays @ 4:00-5:30 pm
January 9, April 10,
February 13, May 8,
March 13, June 12

Register now for Zoom details; we look forward to meeting in person in the Spring



Shabbat Play and Pray



Saturday Mornings, beginning on January 15;
Drop off at 10:00 am



Beth Tikvah's Lower Foyer
Drop off program for children
5 Years and Older



Please note:

at this time, Beth Tikvah requires proof of full vaccination [or a negative Covid-19 test from the past 48 hours] in order to attend services and in-person programming.

What is Included:

Enjoy Shabbat services while your kids hang out with the YYF team, participate in Jewish themed activities, and meet you upstairs on the Bimah for the end of services!

Important Note:

Masks are mandatory while inside the building

Weekly registration is required to attend



Youth & Young
Families



Israel through the looking glass

With Noa Voss

Noa was born and raised in Jerusalem. A former Toronto shinshin, Noa served for almost 4 years as an officer in the technology sector of the IDF's intelligence corps. After the army, Noa taught at the high school level and began working as a facilitator and program developer at ITTLG. Noa is also studying business and sociology/anthropology at Hebrew University.

LIVE on Zoom!

Session #3: Thursday, 13 January, 2022

Join us for a session about innovative Israeli start-ups and what it takes to be successful. Learn about a unique Covid experience that turned an army intelligence unit into medical engineers. And discover how psychological thinking patterns are used in leading hi-tech startups in Israel.

Register on the Beth Tikah Website

B'not /B'Nai Mitzvah Program 2022

Our First Program:

Let's Kick The Year Off With A Mitzvah!

Meet our Clergy and Young Family team, learn about the B'not/B'nai Mitzvah Program, and start the year off on a positive note, making sandwiches for those in need through Ve'ahava.

Special Guest Jeremy Reinblatt, MSW, RSW from CAMH will join us as we build an understanding of how to destigmatize those experiencing homeless.

This program is for parents and B'not/B'nai Mitzvahs

January 16, 2022

1:30 PM - 3:00 PM

Location:

Beth David Synagogue, 55 Yeomans Rd

Registration coming soon

YAHREZEITS

The following members are observing Yahrzeits this week:

Friday, December 10

Helen Duclos, Charna Foxman, Ettie Hailman, Glynis Jerusalem, Larry Koven, Marion Mayman, Shlomo Mayman, Sasha Schaeffer, Diane Sobel, BenZion Tilayof, Goldie Ungar

Saturday, December 11

Michele Abtan, Maurice Grzeda, Barry Kirshin, Brenda Merrick, David Sheps, Pauline Sheps, Susan Sheps, Carole Wolch

Sunday, December 12

John Anthony, Joseph Brewda, Allan Cooper, Georgia Dennis, Sarah Grill, Harvey Haber, Harriet Sternberg

Monday, December 13

Berenice Amato, Andrea Koven, Faye Minuk, Roy Perlman, Malcolm Perlman, Hilary Schneeweiss, Matthew Shulman, Isaac Silverstein, Veronica Zarek

Tuesday, December 14

Lorraine Dicker, Arnold Marcus, Albert Miller, Mervyn Mingail, Marcia Phillips, Lloyd Pollock, Stanley Rabovsky, Norman Stern

Wednesday, December 15

John Colomby, Sylvia Klagsbrun, Doreen Levine (Merson), Ruth Simon

Thursday, December 16

Dorothy Abrams, Trudy Broude, Arthur Chippin, Hilda Goodman, Lorne Lipkus, Helen Rouhi, Allan Sylver

Friday, December 17

Hannah Bellack, Michael Bowman, Harvey Fruitman, Norman Grill, Joyce Harris, Dwora Pilc, Coreen Robinson, Helen Sieber

Beth Tikvah's Youth and Young Family Team is looking for ECEs!

As we prepare to bring back our Youth Programming in 2022, we are looking for responsible, caring, and fun-loving ECEs to assist us in running our Tots Playroom and Camp Shabbat Programming on Saturday Mornings.

If you are interested in the position, kindly send your resume to our Youth & Young Family Coordinator at ellie@bethtikvahtoronto.org.

Thank you!

Living Donor Needed for Kidney Transplant

Sander has been on dialysis for nearly four years and his family is asking the Jewish community for assistance to help him find a donor.

Please visit Sander's website to see how you can help:
<https://kidney4sander.com>



Beth Tikvah Endowment Funds

We have Endowment Funds for the 2022 year that may be available for you to help offset the cost of Jewish experience programs. To apply, please request an application form by emailing the BT office at adminoffice@bethtikvahtoronto.org or by calling us at 416-221-3433.

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Executive Director: Doris Alter
President: Douglas Millstone

TO HONOUR THE SANCTITY OF THE SYNAGOGUE

We ask that everyone coming up to the bimah cover their head and shoulders and be dressed respectfully. We do not permit smoking, photography, writing, use of beepers, cell phones or other wireless equipment in the synagogue throughout Shabbat and Yom Tov. At any time in the service when the congregation is standing in prayer, please refrain from moving about. Applause is not appropriate at any time during the service.

THIS WEEK AT BETH TIKVAH



Mon	Dec 13	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Morning Learning with Rabbi Grover (In-person & Zoom - no rsvp required) 9:45 AM Beth Tikvah welcomes Award-Winning, Canadian Artists, Jennifer, Tamara & Sarah Podemski! (In-person & Zoom - register online) 7:30 PM
Thurs	Dec 16	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Restorative Yoga & Meditation Therapy with Orli Ziv (In-person) 10:00 AM
Fri	Dec 17	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Torah Study with Morley Goldberg (Zoom) 1:00 PM

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



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