

SEPHARDIC KEHILA CENTRE

ABIR YAAKOB CONGREGATION



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שבת שלום
Shabbat Shalom

ברוכים הבאים
Welcome to our Synagogue

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Rabbi David Kadoch
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Parashat Ki Tetze פרשת כי תצא
Shabbat August 21st 2021, יג' אלול תשפ"א / 13 Elul 5781
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Shabbat Prayer Times

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| מנחה Minha | 6:35 p.m. |
| הדלקת נרות / Candle Lighting / Kabalat Shabbat / Mizmor Shir LeYom HaShabbat | 7:20 p.m. |
| שחרית מנין החיד"א (ותיקין) / Shaharit Ha'Hida Vatikim | 5:30 a.m. |
| תהלים Tehilim | 7:00 p.m. |
| מנחה Minha | 7:30 p.m. |
| שבת שוב טוב / Shabbat Ends | 8:58 p.m. |

Weekday Services at

Medrash Torah Vehayim

שחרית / Shacharit Sunday

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| ותיקין / Vatikim | 5:50 a.m. |
| מקדימים / Makdimim | 7:45 a.m. |
| קבועים / Kebuim | 9:00 a.m. |

שחרית / Shacharit Weekdays

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| ותיקין / Vatikim | 5:50 a.m. |
| מקדימים / Makdimim | 6:30 a.m. |
| קבועים / Kebuim | 8:00 a.m. |
| מנחה / Minha | 6:30 p.m. |
| ערבית / Arbit | 18 minutes after Sunset |

Shabat Zemanim- Netz- נץ- 6:30 am, Keriat Shema- שמע 9:54 am, Shekia- שקיעה- 8:11 pm

Mazal Tov

Yarden Mamane and Ariel Kamel on their recent wedding in New York
Proud Parents: Mr. & Mrs. Joseph and Brigitte and Mr. & Mrs. Daniel and Juliet Kamel
Proud Grandparents: Mr. & Mrs. Isaac and Sol Mamane

Shy and Elena Jacoby on the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Michael David Jacoby

Joe and Nathalie Bousidan on the engagement of their son Shimon to Chana Gabay, daughter of Rabbi David and Esther Gabay of Lakewood, NJ

Eliezer and Adelle Wexler on the occasion of the upcoming wedding of their son Benjy to Ariella Epstein in Jerusalem

Happy Anniversary

Henri & Chantal Ohayon, Jack & Andrea Benaim, Jack & Laurence Cohen, Ze'ev & Helene Saban

Birthdays this week

Yehuda Rahimy, Samantha Benchetrit, Moshe Bitton, Emilie Cohen, Mayan Hyams, Daniel Amar, Asher Reboh, Elsa Cohen, Syd Anidjar, Avi Kadoch, Esther Ohana, Reuth Abraham

Nahalot

David Menahem Nacson ז"ל 13 Elul /Shabbat August 21st
Adell Totah ז"ל 15 Elul /Monday August 23rd
Armand Sabbah ז"ל, Clara Edery ז"ל 16 Elul /Tuesday August 24th
Joseph Afriat ז"ל, Biba Assayag ז"ל, Juda Lalou ז"ל 19 Elul /Friday August 27th

Nahalot for the following week

Alegria Benzaquen ז"ל 21 Elul / Sunday Aug 29th
Joseph Azulay ז"ל, Leon Cohen ז"ל, Jacob Benchimol ז"ל 24 Elul /
Wednesday September 1st
Hannah Benggio bat Messoda ז"ל 26 Elul /Friday September 3rd

Synagogue News

Selihot

Selihot continues this week, 45 minutes before each respective minyan.

Baruch Haba

We have been blessed to welcome many new members this year and wish to formally welcome our latest members to the Kehila Family

Mr. Marcos Cohen Botbol and Mrs. Mercedes Maman De Cohen

Selihot Inspiration with Em HaBanim (Tirat HaKarmel)

The Kahal is invited on Sunday August 29th at 1pm for a virtual session of Selihot Inspiration featuring our own Rabbi David Kadoch and R' Eliyahu Skuri, Rabbi of Em HaBanim Sephardic Synagogue in Tirat HaKarmel, Israel.

As we announced earlier, Abir Yaakob and Em HaBanim have partnered up in the Kehilot Mithaberot Program "Connecting Communities," which connect communities in the diaspora with similar ones in Israel.

Access information below:

Topic: Selihot inspiration - סליחות ודברי חיזוק

Time: Aug 29, 2021 01:00 PM America/Toronto

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/89053084692>

5782 Membership Update

We have sent out statements to all members with the dues for 5782 membership and any outstanding pledges that have accumulated over the year. All outstanding amounts must be paid in order to receive high holiday tickets.

If you have any questions, please call Sulty in the office at 905-669-7654 x200 or via e-Mail at sulty@kehilacentre.com.

Kiddush Is Back!

Kiddushim have long been an opportunity for everyone to socialize and see each other. We are thrilled to be able to welcome everyone back. We will need everyone to be mindful of social distancing and of COVID restrictions.

Anyone who wishes to sponsor Kiddush to celebrate an occasion, should contact Sulty in the office at 905-669-7654 x200 or via e-Mail at sulty@kehilacentre.com.

Kiddush, this week, is sponsored by Shy and Elena Jacoby in honour of their son, Michael David Jacoby's Bar Mitzvah

Seuda Shelishit

We are holding Seuda Shelishit again, between Minha and Arbit on Shabbat, with some adjustments due to COVID restrictions. Anyone who wishes to sponsor Seuda Shelishit in memory of a loved one, should contact Sulty in the office at 905-669-7654 x200 or via e-Mail at sulty@kehilacentre.com.

Seuda Shelishit, this week, is sponsored by Shabtai Nacson, in memory of his father, David Menahem Nacson z"l

Weekly Shiurim

Monday - Study of the Amida (men and women) @ 8 pm

Tuesday - Halacha (university-aged boys) @ 8 pm

Thursday - Parashat HaShavua (men and women all ages) @ 8 pm

Sunday - Gemara Masechet Sotah @ 7:15am

Weekly Shiur by Zachary Benatar

Join us weekly for inspirational words of wisdom on Judaism by Zachary Benatar. Only half an hour weekly. Gain a deeper understanding of the world through Hashem's eyes. We look forward to having men and women tune in. **Every Monday at 2:45 p.m.**

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/75974587379?pwd=bDVheFIZRnhuckVITE1NynBxa2R6QT09>. Meeting ID is 759 7458 7379

Passcode 12345

Torah Bites By Rabbi Kadoch

Ki Tetze 5776 - Animal rights: The Jewish way

לא תחרוש בשור ובחמור יחדיו"

"You shall not plow an ox and a donkey together

The reason for this commandment is very logical. An ox pulls harder than a donkey and the donkey may get injured when plowing together with the ox. Rashi on this pasuk says that this mitzva doesn't only apply to an ox and a donkey but any two species of animals cannot plow together for the same reason as mentioned. The question remains, why did the Torah specifically use the ox and the donkey as examples of two animals from different species, that cannot plow together? The Ba'al HaTurim explains that from here we learn the importance of attaining good friends. An ox is a kosher animal and a donkey isn't. Joining side by side with a friend who is "impure" is not advice that the Torah promotes. Working together with individuals who are negative influences are detrimental for the spirituality and goodness of any person.

In addition to this explanation the Ba'at HaTurim learns a very important lesson on the treatment of animals. He says that having an ox and donkey plow together may have you transgress the commandment of causing pain to animals - לצער בעלי חיים. How so? He explains that the ox is an animal the chews its cud but the donkey does not. (That is what makes the donkey a non-kosher animal. If they plow together, the donkey will think that the ox has more food than him because they are eating from the same place yet the ox is chewing more. Albeit we are dealing with a donkey, this will cause him pain and that is unacceptable. Not only are we a nation that looks out for our fellow brothers to ensure their safety but we see from here how far we need to go to ensure that even animals are taken care of.

We live in a society where people speak freely about their distaste for Judaism and the Torah. Anti-Semitic rhetoric always consists of how "cruel" Jews are to animals because we slaughter them and we don't give enough "respect" to them. If they only knew that which we slaughter the animal is the most painless way of killing it; and if they only knew our other commandments such as the prohibition of having an ox and donkey plow together because we worry about the latter's feelings. If they only knew..