

SHABBAT BULLETIN

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Tobias Lieberman, Bar Mitzvah

Shabbat Parshat Va'yeitzei
Haftara: Hoshea 12:13 - 14:10

Friday, November 24

- 3:50pm Minha et Kabbalat Chabat -
Minyane Sépharade - Lower
Level Chapel
- 3:58pm Candle Lighting
- 4:00pm Mincha and Kabbalat Shabbat -
Main Sanctuary
- 4:17pm Sh'kiah

Shabbat, November 25 / 12 Kislev

- 8:00am Shacharit - Hashkama Minyan
- 8:30am Shaharit - Minyane Sépharade -
Lower Level Chapel
- 8:40am Parsha Shiur with Rabbi Claman
- 9:00am Shacharit - Main Sanctuary
- 9:24am Sof Zman K'riyat Shma
- 9:30am Kef Club Shabbat Programs
for Kids - Lower Level Classrooms
- 10:15am *The Zone* for Kids in Gr. 1 to 3 -
Library
- 10:45am *The Zone* for Kids in Gr. 4 to 6 -
Library
- 3:19pm Plag Hamincha
- 3:30pm Bnei Akiva Walking Group
leaves TBDJ for HA
- 3:35pm Minha, Seoudah Shleesheet
et Shiour - Minyane Sépharade
- 3:55pm Mincha, Seoudah Shleesheet
and Maariv - Main Sanctuary
- 4:16pm Sh'kiah
- 5:05pm Havdala

NEXT WEEK'S SCHEDULE

Mincha / Maariv: 4:00pm

Shacharit

Sunday: 8:00am

Monday and Thursday: 6:50am

Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday: 7:00am

Friday, December 1

Minha - Minyane Sépharade: 15h45

Candle Lighting is at 3:55pm

Mincha - Main Sanctuary: 4:00pm

For our full schedule, go to tbdj.org/calendar.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Mazal Tov to **Tobias Lieberman** on becoming a Bar Mitzvah. Proud parents are **Chaya & Lorne Lieberman**. Sharing in their simcha are Tobias' grandparents **Susan Lieberman** and Joseph Orbach, his siblings Nathan, Olivia and Ella and many delighted aunts, uncles and cousins. Lovingly remembered at this time are Tobias' grandmother Yocheved Orbach z"l and his grandfather Aron Lieberman z"l.

Mazal Tov to **Jordana & Morrie Levy** and to **Judy & Gary Pekofsky** and their families on the engagement of their son and grandson **Eitan Levy** to Michaela Dadoun. Sharing in their simcha are Michaela's parents Stephanie & Eric Dadoun and many delighted siblings, aunts, uncles and cousins in both families.

Condolences to **Pascale & Jack Hasen** and their family on the loss of Pascale's beloved father Michel Meir Abessera z"l who passed away on Wednesday, November 22. Funeral took place on Wednesday, November 22. Shiva continues in the Reception Room at 5950 Cavendish, Cote St. Luc H4W 3H1 on Saturday from 6:00pm to 9:00pm, and on Sunday and Monday from 2:00pm to 8:00pm.

THANK YOU TO THE FOLLOWING SPONSORS

Kiddush for the Main Sanctuary is sponsored by **Chaya & Lorne Lieberman** in honour of their son Tobias becoming a Bar Mitzvah.

Kiddush for the Hashkama Minyan is sponsored by **Barbara & David Zukor** in memory of Barbara's beloved father Morris Schwartz z"l (Moshe Shimshon ben Shimon HaKohen - 5 Kislev) and in memory of David's beloved father Leslie Zukor z"l (Yitzchak Chaim ben Yosef - 17 Kislev).

Rabbi Claman's Shabbat Sermon is sponsored by **Rosaleen & David Hutman** and their family in memory of David's beloved mother Donna Selick Hutman z"l (Devosha bat Dov v'Chana - 18 Kislev).

Rabbi Claman's Parsha Shiur on Shabbat Morning is sponsored by **Michaela & Guilad Krief** in memory of Michaela's beloved father Gerard Etienne z"l (Moshe ben Avraham v'Sara - 17 Kislev).

This Shabbat Bulletin is sponsored by **Rochelle & Jeffrey Rein** and **Michaela & Cyril Weintraub** and their families in memory of Rochelle and Cyril's beloved mother Dolly Weintraub z"l (Dobrusha bat Nachum HaKohen - 17 Kislev).

Thank you to **David Steinlauf** for his assistance with TBDJ's special printing projects.

Resumes this Sunday, November 26!!!

"The Daf Dive"

**Weekly
Gemara Shiur**
with Rabbi Claman

SUNDAY MORNINGS
Following Shacharit
(Approx. 8:40am)

Each shiur based on a topic that comes up in the week's Daf Yomi.

Note: You don't need to learn Daf Yomi to take part and gain from the shiur.

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HOMEFRONT MISSION

A SPECIAL 3-WEEK PROGRAM TO
SUPPORT, INSPIRE, AND STRENGTHEN
OUR COMMUNITY IN SUPPORT OF ISRAEL

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NOVEMBER 12, 19, 26

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Shabbat Ahdut at TBDJ
on Shabbat December 2nd**



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FOLLOWING THREE WEEKS OF INDIVIDUAL MISSIONS
WE JOIN TOGETHER FOR ONE COMMUNAL MISSION!

SHABBAT PARSHAT VAYISHLACH
DECEMBER 1-2, 2023 // 19 KISLEV 5784



**JOINT MINYANIM ON
SHABBAT MORNING**

UNITED KIDDUSH

**MUSICAL HAVDALAH AND KUMZITZ
WITH BNEI AKIVA YOUTH**

As Chanukah approaches, in conjunction with many synagogues in Montreal, TBDJ would like to show our appreciation for the support we have received in our respective neighbourhoods. We are inviting everyone to bake cookies in their homes to be dropped off at TBDJ to be delivered to the police, municipal security, firefighters, security guards and other friends in our communities. We will amalgamate all the baked goods and distribute them.

This special initiative was inspired by the incredible story of Rachel Edri who was held captive in her home in Israel with her husband for fifteen hours by terrorists from Gaza. She credits their survival in part to the coffee and cookies she fed those terrorists at the time. You can read her story at the following link: <https://www.ynetnews.com/magazine/article/bjxis4611t>

If you are interested in participating in this baking initiative, please go to tbdj.org/cookies to register. Your baked goods will be delivered in time for Chanukah on Thursday, December 7. For more information, please write stephanie@tbdj.org.



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Baking the World a Safer Place

Sharing the Light of Chanukah with those
who keep our Jewish community safe.

Let's show our gratitude to local police and firefighters, public security and neighbours for the support we have received as we share the meaning of Chanukah with our entire city.



★ CANADA'S ★ RALLY

FOR THE JEWISH PEOPLE

Monday | December 4
1:30 pm
Parliament Hill – Ottawa

TRANSPORTATION
AVAILABLE

REGISTER NOW!

Pre-registration through Federation required.
Go to <https://jlive.app/events/6225>
*In Step Three of the registration process, be sure
to select "Congregation TBDJ" as your
Community Bus to Ottawa.*

The Impact of the Tzaddik

In last week's Torah portion Toldot, we read that Yaakov Avinu deceptively received his father Yitzchak's blessings which were intended for his brother Esav. Esav's reaction was severe: *May the days of mourning for my father draw near, then I will kill my brother Yaakov* (Breisheet 27:41). Rashi teaches that Rivka was informed of Esav's intentions through *ruach hakodesh* - divine inspiration. She advises Yaakov that Esav wants to kill him and tells him to run away from home: *So now, my son, heed my voice and arise; flee to my brother Lavan, to Haran* (Breisheet 27:43).

This week's Torah portion Va'yeitsei opens with Yaakov's departure:

ויצא יעקב מבאר שבע וילך חרנה

And Yaakov left Be'ersheva and he went to Charan

(Breisheet 28:10)

Rashi asks why couldn't the verse simply state that Yaakov went to Charan since it is known that he was situated up until now in Be'er Sheva? The answer is that the departure of a tzaddik from a city leaves an impact, an impression. While a tzaddik is in a town, he is its splendor, its light and its beauty and when he leaves the town, the light, splendor and beauty leave with him.

Indeed, having a tzaddik in our midst is a *segula*, a merit for all.

Rabbi Pinchas Winston writes:

Tzaddikim, it seems, do more than just good deeds and learn a lot of Torah. In truth, much of what they accomplish is invisible to the naked eye, not because they do it secretly, but because the impact of their actions, words, and thoughts literally rectify creation. Indeed, not only do tzaddikim fix the world, but they act as spiritual conduits to draw down G-d's light, which is the life-sustaining force of the whole world. This is why the Talmud states that in every generation there are thirty-six tzaddikim who maintain creation (Sukkos 45b)! Hence, all success in the world is rooted in the supernatural light such people draw down into creation.

This is why a tzaddik's departure is felt by all, even those who are reluctant to admit it. With the tzaddik goes his influence, and a spiritual void is left which reduces the amount of bracha, and in the end, the level of success one might have been used to enjoying. This is why those who appreciate this sensitive point constantly pray for the welfare of the tzaddikim of their generation, especially when those tzaddikim ail - even if they never met them personally. After all, who knows what void will be left after they depart for their eternal reward!

Rashi uses the following words: שיציאת צדיק עושה רושם. As mentioned above, the word רושם means *an impact, an impression*. Yochanan Gordon writes that the letters in this word may be rearranged to spell the word שומר - which means *to guard or protect*. The tzaddik is more than an influence, he is a spiritual security blanket for those around him and in general for the greater community. When a Torah giant among us passes on, I get the feeling that the protective umbrella over our heads is closed and that our spiritual existence in our world is that much more vulnerable.

Yochanan Gordon wrote the following words last year upon the passing of the Torah giant Rav Chaim Kanievsky ZT"l:

There was a Jew close with the great tzaddik and mekubal Harav Dov Kook Shlita, son-in-law of Reb Yitzchak Zilberstein Shlita who was with Rav Dov when he found out about the petira - the passing - of Rav Chaim Kanievsky... He said that Rav Dov went into a room where he sobbed for 5 or 6 minutes, tore keri'ah (rending garments as a sign of mourning) and then began to explain that Rav Chaim Kanievsky lived an Olam Haba, World to Come, existence within this world and that the transition for him from this world to the next was as simple and seamless as traversing the threshold to a doorway. He continued: We aren't sobbing and mourning for any pain or discomfort that his soul felt in being whisked off to the next world. We are crying over our plight having to continue our sojourn in this world without his protection.

A true tzaddik is the recipient of the highest level of kavod - of respect and honour - though he doesn't command it. We have all seen the multitudes welcome Torah luminaries and tzaddikim and escort them as they take leave of us. Ironically, Yaakov Avinu, the light of the city of Beer Sheva, fled his home and town alone.

I was once in a city where a renowned rabbi left to make aliya. The rabbi, who had been with his shul for close to thirty years, had retired from his congregation a little while earlier and stayed on in his community until his future plans materialized. One morning I got a call from a friend who informed me that the rabbi and his wife left town the previous day to go to Israel. Wow! I said, *I wish I knew that! Did you all accompany them to the airport?* To my dismay and disappointment, I quickly found out that no one did, and I made a phone call to one of the leaders in that community: *How could you let the rabbi and his wife leave town alone like that after all their wonderful years of service?*

Tzaddikim are part of our lives. We learn that there are *lamed vav* tzaddikim in every generation - a minimum of 36 anonymous righteous people. These tzaddikim sustain our world and our world exists in their merit. It is said that they are privileged to see the Divine Presence. The origin of this tradition, found in the Talmud Bavli, is handed down in the name of Abaye: *There are no less than thirty-six righteous men in the world who receive the Divine Presence* (Sanh. 29b; Suk. 45b). In Jewish folklore they are called *Lamed Vavniks*, from the gematria numerical value for 36. The Lamed Vavnik goes unnoticed because of his humble nature and vocation, but he is a divine source of spiritual energy who quietly keeps the balance in the sometimes-challenging world that we live in. We pray that the merit of the Lamed Vavnikim among us will accompany our prayers for peace and comfort during these difficult times.

May the wicked fall and may our hostages return home, safe and sound... עם ישראל חי!

Shabbat Shalom,

Rev. Amiel

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COLOUR WAR!

Nov 25 - PART 3! - SHABBAT IRGUN!!

4:00- 6:45PM

**COLOUR WAR GAMES, AND PERFORMANCE REHEARSALS AND
MOTZEI SHABBAT PROGRAM (SEE SEPARATE FLYER)!**

-WALKING GROUP FROM TBDJ AT 3:30PM-

grades 2, 4, 5



VS



grades K, 1, 3, 6



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סגלי צבא הגנה לישראל העומדים על משמר ארצנו
וערי אלהינו. מן הלבנון ועד מדבר מצרים ומן הים
הגדול עד לבוא הערבה ביבשה באויר ובים. וכן
ה' את אויבינו השמים עלינו נגפים לפניהם. הקדוש
ברוך הוא ישמר ויציל את סגליו מכל צרה וצוקה
ומכל גגע ומחלה וישלח ברכה והצלחה בכל מעשה
ידיהם. יברך שונאיו תחיתם ויעטרם בכתר ישועה
ובעטרת נצחון ויקים בהם הכתוב: כי ה' אלהיכם
ההלך עמכם להלחם לכם עם אויביכם להושיע אתכם
ונאמר אמן

The Montreal Jewish Communities come together in

Prayer & Unity

for our brethren in Israel

Motzei Shabbat for the duration of the war.
We will no longer be having musical havdalla.

6.15pm sharp: Brief Remarks
Tehillim
Concluding by 6:40pm

At Kollel Torah MiTzion - The Lieberman Beit Midrash
5700 Kellert

security at entrance

