



Young Israel Congregation Shmooze News

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Parshas Emor, May 9, 2020

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**SHABBAT SHALOM!
PLEASE STAY SAFE AND TAKE CARE OF YOURSELVES.**

"You shall not desecrate my sacred name, and I shall be sanctified among the people of Israel" Vayikra 22:32

Why does the Torah discuss both extremes in the same verse? If the Torah commands us to make an effort to sanctify the name of G-d, why must it also tell us NOT to desecrate G-d's name? It has been suggested that one could read the verse as follows: You shall not desecrate my sacred name even while I am being sanctified among B'nei Yisroel. According to this reading, it means that while you are doing a Mitzvah and making a Kiddush Hashem, don't get so caught up and carried away that you wind up turning it into a Chillul Hashem. It's like the non-Jew who lives next door to a small Shul. One morning he comes into the Shul apologizing for the interruption and asks, "Will the person who parked his car in front of my driveway please move it." However, the person who blocked the driveway insists that he has to first finish the prayer service before moving the car; or, like a group of many Jews who gather together at a funeral to show their last respects to a great Rabbi during a Covid-19 Pandemic. Here, too, we have a situation in which a person thinks he is sanctifying G-d's name, and in reality, he is desecrating it. We are currently in the middle of counting the Omer. It is a time when we mourn for the 24,000 students of Rabbi Akiva who died because they did not treat each other respectfully. The question is asked why disrespectful behavior warrants a punishment of death! The Chofetz Chaim and the Ben Ish Chai explain that they were punished for the desecration of G-d's name that resulted from their behavior – for the sin of Chillul Hashem, as the Rambam writes, is the worst transgression of all. The lesson for us is that today every observant Jew is looked upon as a Rabbi by the secular world. Non-observant Jews and non-

Shabbos

Candle Lighting 7:25PM/7:38PM

Shabbos afternoon

Mincha 7:00 PM

Havdalah 8:41 PM

Weekday Mincha

Sun-Thu By 7:45 PM

Next Fri candle lighting 7:42PM



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Jack & Susan Gluck in memory of Milton & Edith Gluck z"l ;
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Jews look to us as examples and representatives of the values and teachings of traditional Judaism. It is, therefore, incumbent upon us to exercise extreme caution as to how we conduct ourselves, in order to ensure that we create a Kiddush Hashem wherever we go. This is especially relevant in our current situation of the coronavirus. There is enough antisemitism in the world without us adding to it. Therefore, it is doubly important that all Jews follow the CDC guidelines and all rules of the particular municipality in which they live. When Jews congregate together for any reason, it not only results in putting the lives of others in danger, it also creates a terrible desecration of G-d's name. Generally, in our behavior in the public eye, we should always strive to go beyond the letter of the law and to be role models to others of what a G-dly people should look like. Let us also take the opportunity to use these days of the Omer to focus on elevating our behavior in creating an atmosphere of camaraderie and greater Ahavas Yisrael, which, in turn, will bring us that much closer to the final redemption and the coming of Mashiach. May he come speedily our days.

Sefer: Patach Eliyahu

Wishing you an inspiring Shabbos!
With much blessing and love,

Rabbi Moshe Gruenstein

Let us all daven together in unison, over Shabbos, while in our homes. Please follow the schedule below of approximate times and the associated notes:

Friday Evening

- *Candle Lighting: 7:25PM/7:38 PM*
- *Early Mincha: 7:00 PM*
- *Lecha Dodi: Approx. 7:30 PM; let us all sing together (on balcony, outside home, etc.)*
- *Say Vayechulu after Shemonah Esrei, but do not say the next three paragraphs.*
- *Sunset 7:52PM: If you are making an early Shabbos and davening mincha at 7:00PM, it would be better to count Sefira without a brocha and have in mind the following condition: If I remember to count Sefira later on when its dark, then I will count again, but with a brocha, and my original counting will not be valid. However, if I forget later on to count with a brocha, then this counting that I did now before sunset will suffice.*

Shabbos Morning

- *Schacharis: 9:00 AM*
- *Do not say Vayehi Binsoa and Berich Shmei (the prayers for taking out the Torah)*
- *Note: It is appropriate to read both the parsha and the haftorah during the day*
- *Parsha: Emor, p. 672 in Stone Chumash.*
- *Haftorah: P.1176 in Stone Chumash.*
- *Say first paragraph of Yekum Purkan; do not say the next two paragraphs*
- *Say Av Harachamim*
- *Do not say Mizmor L'David and U'venucha Yomar*

Shabbos Afternoon

- *Mincha: 7:00 PM, followed by seudah shlishis*
- *Say Tzidkuscha Tzedek*
- *Havdalah: 8:41 PM*

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Schedule

- Daily Gemara Shiur and Schacharis via Zoom (Sunday thru Friday): Shiur, 7:25 AM, Schacharis, 8:00 AM
- Daily Mincha, followed by short shiur and Maariv via Zoom (Sunday thru Thursday): 7:40 PM
- Monday – Pirkei Avos via zoom 7:15PM
- Tuesday – Corona Inspiration via zoom 7:15PM
- A special 3 parts series on Megillas Rus for women which will be given by Rena Gruenstein - Starting Tuesday May 12 - 8:15PM
- Wednesday - Navi Class via Zoom: 7:15PM
- Thursday – Shiur on the Parsha/Shabbos message 7:15PM
- Note: Zoom link sent out by email to entire membership
- All those interested in joining the group that receives Rabbi Citron's Daf Yomi Shiurim, can do so via the WhatsApp link by clicking [here](#).

Congregational Family and Shul News

- Mazal Tov to Rabbi Moshe & Rena Gruenstein on the birth of a grandson. Mazel Tov to the parents Adina and Yossi Klugman.
- Mazal Tov to Dr. Michael Messing on the birth of a granddaughter. Mazel Tov to the parents Tali & Ephraim Messing.

Refuah Sheleimah

- We wish refuah sheleimah to Allan Krieger and Allen Packer.



Our own Joseph arriving in Israel earlier this week. He is quarantined at a Tel Aviv hotel for two weeks but can always be reached thru his regular USA cell number. Welcome "home" Joseph !!!



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Yahrzeits May 9 – May 15, 2020

16 IYAR	Paula Hertzberg for her brother, Jacob Hertzberg, on Sunday, May 10
17 IYAR	Jeff Weiss for his father, Morton Weiss, on Monday, May 11
17 IYAR	Anne Kirschner for her father, Avigdor, on Monday, May 11
17 IYAR	Shoshana Halpern for her mother, Lea Jakubovic, on Monday, May 11
17 IYAR	Mary Gut for her mother, Sima bat Mordechai Gimpel, on Monday, May 11
18 IYAR	Judy Tuchman for her father, Benjamin Gruss, on Tuesday, May 12
19 IYAR	Greta Hirmes for her father, William H. Cohen, on Wednesday, May 13
20 IYAR	Howard Cole for his father, Avraham Cole, on Thursday, May 14
21 IYAR	Ed Leventhal for his mother, Rivka Rochel Leventhal, on Friday, May 15
21 IYAR	Steven Robinson for his father, Levi Ben Dov Ber Robinson, on Friday, May 15
21 IYAR	Miriam Greenblatt for her father, Shlomo Ben Elchanan Gunzenhauser, on Friday, May 15

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Eruv Bal Harbour: While the Eruv in Surfside includes both walking paths, in Bal Harbour the Eruv only includes the inner (western) walking path. The pier at Haulover Cut is not included. We would like to emphasize that every Erev Shabbos, individuals should call the Eruv Hotline to make sure that the Eruv is operational prior to carrying on Shabbos. The number is 305-866-ERUV (3788). The Eruv message is recorded approximately two hours prior to Candle Lighting. Miami Beach Eruv web page: www.miamibeacheruv.com

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