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Gittel & Zvi Weiss z"l Campus



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#### **MAZAL TOV**

Mazal Tov and Happy 16th Birthday to **Bayla Socher**! We love and are so proud of you! **Mom, Dad, Naomi & Beverly, Anna & Emmanuel, Coby & Sharon, Dani & Katie, Dalia & Ron.** 

Mazal Tov to **CZ Edelstein & David Shapiro** on the birth of a baby boy! Mazal tov to grandparents **Rochelle & Joseph Edelstein**. Mazal tov to aunt and uncles Moshe (Shana), Mordy, Shifra and Menachem Edelstein and to the extended **Edelstein** and **Shapiro** families.

Mazel Tov to **Maya Duplik** and **Arik Tieke** on their recent engagement. Congratulations to the extended **Tieke**, **Stern**, and **Duplik** families.

Mazal tov to **Tamar Warshowsky & Yaakov Ginsburg** on their engagement! Mazal tov to parents **Malkie & Herzl Ginsburg** and **Amy & Stuart Warshowsky**. Mazal tov to siblings Yonatan, Yehuda, and Lottie Ginsburg and to the extended Ginsburg and Warshowksy families.

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We wish to acknowledge the generous donations from the following members:

- Evie & Howie Davis in memory of Arthur Rutman, z"l.
- Gary Weiss In honor of Danielle Wild's milestone birthday Hildee & Gary Weiss
- Shanie & Boaz Shevach in memory of Dennis Israelstam, z"l.

If you are new to our community, we are very happy to have you here! If you need a Shabbat or Yom Tov meal, please reach out to the Rabbi or the President.

As of 2.22.24 the Eruv is Kosher



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#### <u>Friday - February 23</u>

6:40am Shacharit 5:01pm Earliest Time for Candle Lighting 5:51pm Candle Lighting 6:00pm Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat

#### Saturday, February 24

7:30am Hashkama Minyan
9:00am Main Minyan
9:00am Pre Ruchani Minyan Chaburah
9:30am Ruchani Minyan
9:30am Youth Group with Kimi Newmark and Ellie
Silber - Daskal Family Youth Wing
10:15am Tot Shabbat with Caroline Goldman Daskal Family Youth Wing Beit Midrash
4:50pm Rabbi's Gemara Class

4:50pm Bnei Akiva Snif
4:50pm Women's Tehillim
4:50pm Torat Eretz Yisrael Shiur
5:00pm Mishneh Brurah
5:35pm Mincha - Special Shiur Rav. Keil

6:15pm Rabbi's Parsha Class 6:53pm Havdalah

#### Sunday

8:00am Shacharit 6:00pm Mincha/Maariv

#### Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday

6:40am Shacharit 6:00pm Mincha/Maariv 8:30pm Learning with the CBM 9:30pm Maariv

Welcome Rabbi Ben Keil!

#### Thursday

6:40am Shacharit 6:00pm Mincha/Maariv 8:30pm Learning with the CBM

## RABBI'S LETTER



#### **GREEN ROAD SYNAGOGUE LEADERSHIP**

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Secretary Aviva Klein Dear Members,

While I greatly enjoy starting my weekly letter with words of inspiration linked to our parsha, I must begin this time by noting our sadness as a result of the tragic terrorist attack in Ma'aleh Adumim today. We pray for those who are injured to have a full recovery and we mourn the loss of Matan Elmaliach who was murdered in the shooting. Am Yisrael remains strong and we must, and will, persevere.

This is a very exciting Shabbat at Green Road Synagogue as we are hosting Rabbi Ben Keil this Shabbat in the first of our two 'probah" weekends. Rabbi Keil is a wonderful candidate with an impressive resume and I look forward to hearing him multiple times over Shabbat and I encourage all of you to do the same. Since his wife recently gave birth, she and their family will not be joining him but they sent a delightful video that you hopefully have already watched. This is an exhilarating time for the shul and I want to thank Avi Sher and all the members of his committee for doing an outstanding job finding us such qualified rabbanim as our potential next Assistant Rabbi.

Turning to our sedra, Parshat Tetzaveh, it is striking to notice how many psukim are dedicated to the description of the garments worn by both the Kohen Gadol and all his fellow Kohanim. While they clearly played a central role in the Mishkan (and later the Mikdash) and their actions impacted the entirety of the Jewish people, what lessons are we non-Kohanim to draw from the way their clothes were fashioned? If one focuses on the way Hashem depicts the purpose of these clothes, however, I think a key point can be learned. The pasuk says that these clothes are both "for glory and for splendor" and "to sanctify him (Aharon) to serve as a priest to Me (Hashem)". There is a duality about the nature of their clothing that teaches us a larger lesson about the manner in which all of us are to perform mitzvot. On the one hand, we must direct all of our actions to serve Hashem and to sanctify His name. On the other hand, there is a proper way to conduct ourselves when fulfilling that noble objective and that is with glory and splendor. Only when both aspects are performed in tandem are we being true servants of Hashem.

While I noted Rabbi Keil's visit this Shabbat, this weekend we are also having the next installment of the Nach Yomi for Women series which will occur Sunday morning at 10:00am at our home. Our own Rav Gilbert will be presenting as we start the new cycle with Sefer Yehoshua. I am very pleased to share with you that in honor of our first grandson, Bentzi Perl, my wife and I are sponsoring this event.

Our shul is thankfully incredibly vibrant and therefore I want to get slightly ahead of myself and note two important events that are occurring next weekend. The first is that we have an incredible scholar in residence Rav Ari Kahn joining us thanks to the generosity of Joel and Elana Katz. The full details of the times and topics of his talks will be forthcoming with an additional bonus that we will be having a presentation on Saturday night given by his wife Naomi Linder Kahn – a talented expert in her own right. The second is the "Wisdom and Wellness" program for women that is taking place Sunday morning (march 3rd) at the shul. This event is a collaboration between the Community Beit Midrash and the Yoetzet Initiative and it features many dynamic options to choose from. May our shul always be so busy.

Finally a few weeks ago we sent out information about an exciting new program called Israela that takes an innovative approach to Aliyah by creating groups of families that will take this step together. The heads of this program are willing to come to our community this upcoming Thursday (Feb. 29th) to present more information if there is sufficient interest. Please contact me directly over the weekend if you wish to explore this opportunity.

May you enjoy a Shabbat shalom.

Rabbi Blau



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## **UPCOMING EVENTS**



Friday, February 23rd

Mincha: 6:00 pm Candle Lighting: 5:51 PM

Brief Dvar Torah between Mincha and Kabbalat Shabbat

Shabbat, February 24th

7:30am- Hashkamah minyan 9:00am- Main minyan 9:30am- Ruchani minyan Drasha during Hashkama, Main, and Ruchani Minyanim

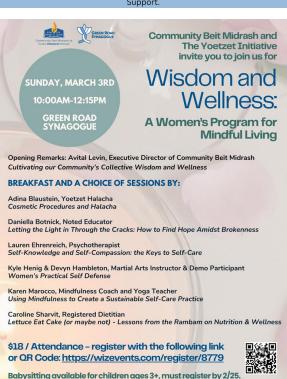
4:45 pm: Rabbi Keil will be in the shul during SNIF for an informal meet and greet

5:35 pm Mincha: Shiur following Mincha during seudat shelishit "Switching Readers in the Middle of the Megillah"

6:53 pm Havdalah

Rabbi Ben Keil is a graduate of RIETS at Yeshiva University, and was certified by the RIETS-Ferkauf Graduate Program in Pastoral Counseling. Rabbi Keil also holds private semicha from Rabbi Joseph Polak, the Av Beit Din of the Rabbinical Council of New England.

Currently Rabbi Keil, his wife Dana, and their children Meir (10), Ashira (7), Livia (5), and Hillel (8 weeks) live in Brooklyn, New York where Rabbi Keil is Rabbi of Congregation Kol Israel. He also works as Operations Manager at UJA-Federation of New York and sits on the Alumni Council of Boston University Hillel. Dana has served as the Director of Lower School at Luria Academy of Brooklyn, since 2019, having previously been their Director of Student Support.









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Sunday: 9:15am. Dr. Hillel Chiel-Moreh Nevukhim- VIA ZOOM

### COMMUNITY BEIT MIDRASH

Mon. - Thurs. 8:30 to 10:00 pm Learning in the Stark Family Beit Midrash Maariv each night at 9:30 pm

#### **Monday**:

- 7:45pm Gemara for Beginners: An Introductory class for women with Gabrielle Berger.
- 8:30pm Advanced Gemara Shiur with Rabbi
- 8:30pm Gemara Boot Camp (Men) with Rav Yonatan Gilbert
- 8:45pm Minchat Chinuch with Herzl Ginsburg

#### Tuesday:

• 8:30pm - Contemporary Challenges and Practical Halachic Approaches with Rav Yonatan Gilbert

#### Wednesday:

• 8:30pm - Smichas Chaver Program with Rabbi Ari Spiegler.

#### **Thursday:**

- 9:00am Torat Eretz Yisrael in the Weekly Parsha Ray Yonatan Gilbert at FMS
- 8:15pm: Mishmar and Midrash Rabbi Dr. Michael Weingarten at GRS

#### **Shabbat:**

• 9:00am: Pre-Shacharit Iyun Chabura with Rav Gilbert and Rotating Speakers

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