



Times of Services 2016

Friday 26 August

Shabbat begins: 7.46 pm

Mincha/

Kabbalat Shabbat: 7.15 pm

Shabbat 27 August

Shacharit: 9.30 am

Haftarah: Michael Jacobs

Shabbat ends: 8.48 pm

Sunday 28 August

Shacharit: 8.40 am

Friday 2 September

Shabbat begins: 7.31 pm

Mincha/

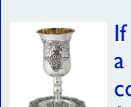
Kabbalat Shabbat: 7.15 pm

Reading the Haftarah



If you would like to read Haftarah to mark a special event or just to make your personal contribution to the service, please contact Brian Robinson, who will be delighted to help with any preparation or revision.

Sponsoring an Event



If you are celebrating a Simcha or commemorating a family Yahrzeit, or if you are just feeling generous, please consider sponsoring a Shabbat morning Kiddush, Seudah or Sunday morning breakfast. Contact Joan Michaels: 020 8579 4261.

AJR—Meets the 1st Tuesday in every month at 2.00 pm. Contact Leslie Sommer: 020 8993 7574.

Israeli Dancing!



Tuesday evenings, 8.00 pm at Ealing United Synagogue, Grange Road. Sunday mornings, 10.30 am at Ealing Liberal Synagogue, Lynton Avenue. All welcome. Nominal charge of £1.00.

In the event of a bereavement, in the first instance please contact the Burial Office : 020 8950 7767. Rabbi Hershi Vogel: 07970 829758 Brian Robinson: 020 8567 6558

Ealing Synagogue



שבת שלום

Friday 26 August 2016/Shabbat 23 Av 5776

Sidra: Ekev

MAZAL TOV

To **Joan Michaels**, firstly on the arrival of a new great-grandson. Yehoshua Arie was born to Rochel-Leah and Aron Lovat on Monday 15 August. The Ealing community extends Mazal Tov to grandparents Ruth and David Michaels and Linda and Laurence Lovat and great-grandparents Elaine and Sydney Assor. Wishing all the family much joy from the new addition.

And secondly, on the forthcoming wedding of her granddaughter Elisheva Michaels to Avi Greenberg which will take place, PG, on Wednesday 31 August in Israel. The Ealing community extends a big Mazal Tov to Elisheva and Avi, David and Ruth Michaels and all the family on this very joyous occasion.

To **Joy Crystal** on the engagement of her grandson Richard Smith, son of Maurice and the late Caralyn Smith, to Sarah Infante. The Ealing community extends a hearty Mazal Tov to all the family at this happy time.

ROSH HASHANAH

"THE NEW EALING REVIEW" MAGAZINE

A weekly reminder that the deadline for all articles, greetings and advertisements for the magazine is **Friday 2 September**.

EALING COMMUNITY CARES LUNCH

THURSDAY 8 SEPTEMBER

12.30PM

Please contact Alison Shindler-Glass or Judith Robinson if you would like to come to the Community Lunch. Everyone is welcome.

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**WILLESDEN CEMETERY
SPECIAL EVENTS
SUNDAY 4 AND SUNDAY 11 SEPTEMBER**

Willesden United Synagogue Cemetery will be especially open on two Sundays in September for B'nai B'rith European Days of Jewish Culture.

On 4 September there is a rare opportunity to tour the site's highlights with past US president Elkan Levy.

On 11 September they are also teaming up with the National Trust's UK-wide Heritage Open Days to offer a panel discussion with heritage experts, plus a walking tour led by Rachel Kolsky.

The cemetery grounds are open for free visiting on both these days and on September 11 you'll be able to see inside ceremonial buildings not normally open to the public.

All events are free but must be booked in advance to ensure a place. Visit www.theus.org.uk/opendays to book and like them @USWillesdenCemeteryFriends on Facebook.

Sunday 4 September 2016

1400 - 1600

"A Good Jew and a Good Englishman"

Walking Tour with Elkan Levy

Sunday 11 September 2016

1500 -1600. Doors open 1445.

"What makes a Jewish cemetery such a special place?"

Panel discussion with Eric Langham and Geoff Hartnell, chair Hester Abrams

Sunday 11 September 2016

1600-1730

"Postcards, politics, furniture and finance"

Walking Tour with Rachel Kolsky

The booking links are:

<https://myus.theus.org.uk/events/32177/walking-tour-of-willesden-cemetery/>

<https://myus.theus.org.uk/events/32171/panel-discussion/>

<https://myus.theus.org.uk/events/32186/rachel-kolsky-walking-tour/>

Snapshot Torah



GUIDE TO THE WEEKLY PARSHA

ISSUE 46

27th August 2016

EIKEV

23rd Av 5776

Kohen - First Aliya:

Chapter 7, verse 12 - Chapter 8, verse 10

- ✦ Moshe informs Bnai Yisrael that in exchange for observing the torah, Hashem will shower them with an abundance of blessings including defeating their enemies and conquering the land of Israel.
- ✦ Moshe reminds his people about all the miracles that Hashem performed for them during their time in the midbar (desert): Providing and sustaining them with Mahn (Manna), how the clothes they wore never wore out and that their feet never blistered or swelled etc.
- ✦ Moses then describes many of the wonderful features of the Land of Israel, and teaches Bnai Yisrael the law of reciting Birkat ha-Mazon (grace after meals) after they've eaten and become satiated.

Levi - Second Aliya:

Chapter 8, verse 11 – Chapter 9, verse 3

- ✦ Moshe warns the people, once they conquer and start living in the Promised Land and things are going well, they should not forget it was Hashem who was behind their good fortune because by doing so would lead to their downfall.

Sh'lishi - Third Aliya:

Chapter 9, verses 4 - 29

- ✦ Moshe emphasizes the point it was not due to their own virtues but rather, in the merit of their Forefathers which enabled them entry into the land of Israel.
- ✦ Moshe relates how they kept provoking Hashem from the day they left Mitzraim until their arrival on Israel's borders.
- ✦ Moshe recounts how after descending Mount Sinai and witnessing the Heter Eigel (Golden Calf) for himself, he had no choice but to smash the two Luchot (tablets of stone) in order to prevent Hashem from destroying everyone who was involved, (including Moshe's brother Aaron) completely.

R'Vi - Fourth Aliya:

Chapter 10, verses 1 - 11

- ✦ Moshe continues on how Hashem then commanded him to ascend the mountain once more to carve out for himself a new set of Luchot depicting the Ten Statements (Ten Commandments) and to build a wooden ark to store both the broken fragments of the first set together with the new tablets inside.
- ✦ Hashem also designated the Levites to be His holy servants, because of the devotion they demonstrated throughout the Heter Eigel incident.

Chamishi - Fifth Aliya:

Chapter 10, verse 12 - Chapter 11, verse 9

- ✦ Moshe informs Bnai Yisrael of what Hashem expects from each one of them: 'To fear, love and worship him with their hearts and souls, observing the torah and following in Hashem's footsteps by performing Mitzvahs.

Shishi - Sixth Aliya:

Chapter 11, verses 10 – 21 and

Sh'vi'i - Seventh Aliya:

Chapter 11, verses 22 - 25

- ✦ The second Paragraph of the Shema is recited here. Its main focus is since the land of Israel is dependent on Hashem providing it with rain. It's important to heed to Hashem's word and serve him correctly in order that Hashem will send the right amount of rain required in its proper season.
- ✦ If however the people turn their backs on him and worship other G-ds then Hashem will become angry and the rain would desist.
- ✦ In order to bring the importance of Hashem's word home, the second paragraph re-emphasises the same points as the first; teaching the torah to our children, and the commandment of putting up Mezuzahs on the door posts of our homes.

Haftarah – YISHAYAH (ISAIAH) Chapter 49 verse 14 to Chapter 51 verse 3

OVERVIEW:

- ✦ The Jewish nation expresses their concern that Hashem has abandoned them whilst they are all living in Golus (exile).
- ✦ Hashem reassures them that it is not so, comparing His love and mercy for His people to that of a mother who cares and cherishes her children, and even greater than that, too.
- ✦ Yishayah devotedly defines the ingathering of the exiles which will occur with the Messiah's arrival and just how Avraham and Sarah were blessed with a child when they had all but given up hope, so too, Hashem will send them the Moshiach.

GEMATRIA LINKED TO THE SEDRA:

- ✦ The word Elkev is used in this week's Parsha to show it's really a continuation of Moshe's monologue from last week's Torah portion of Va'etchanan.
- ✦ How do we know this? Because it has a numerical value of 172 corresponding to the number of words in the Ten Commandments which were also read last week.

WEEKLY DISCUSSION:

The Hebrew word Elkev has two meanings, one is 'heel' and the other is 'if' and they both play a part in the understanding of this week's sedra. Continuing with Moshe's narration, the Parsha begins with Moshe reiterating the covenant made by Hashem to Bnai Yisrael that if they continue to follow and obey Hashem's commandments, He will promise to take care, sustain and protect them from their enemies. Hashem would also slay anyone who tries to stop them from entering the land He had previously promised would be theirs.

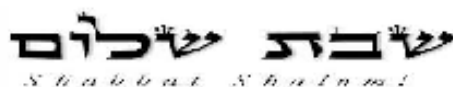
However, there was also a flip-side to this too, which Moshe felt compelled to emphasise and reinforce; The severity of this promise if Bnai Yisrael failed to comply. Moshe was warning the people that even though Hashem up to now, despite your previous sins had continued to provide food for you in the form of Manna, Supplied Water to drink and other miracles that have sustained you during the past forty years, wandering in the desert, failing to adhere to Hashem's will this time, in effect breaking your part of the covenant; I Moshe will not be around to plea bargain on your behalf to save you, and keep you away from Hashem's wrath. Culminating in Hashem changing his allegiance and siding with your enemies instead in order to Has V'Shalom wipe you out completely.

Our famous commentator on the Torah, Rashi uses the other connotation of the word Elkev. Rashi teaches us that this form can also be rendered to be **the heel of the foot**, alluding to the category of Mitzvot that a person tends to "trample with his heels", i.e., Mitzvot people tend to be deemed as insignificant, and therefore not treated with the seriousness and respect they deserve.

One of the many lessons we have been learning over these past few months in Pirkel Avot (Ethics of the fathers) also follows this line of reasoning. "Be as scrupulous in performing a 'minor' Mitzvah as in a 'major' one, for you don't know the reward given for the respective mitzvot. (Chapter 2, Mishnah 1). Looking at this from a health point of view, both physically and spiritually. Each mitzvah contains a specific remedial aspect unique to that command and contains an intrinsic power within them to help us refine our Neshama's (Souls) and keep them pure. This could be the reason why there are 248 Mitzvot Aseh (Positive Commandments) as they parallel and represent all of the 248 limbs and organs in the human body.

The Vilna Gaon also noticed and taught that if you jumble up the letters of the word 'Elkev' you would get 'Keva' denoting permanence. This week's Parsha is also teaches us to bring an attitude of permanence to our Mitzvah observance. Meaning that our attitude and actions towards them should not be rushed or temporary. Every act we perform must be deliberate and purposeful, focusing our full attention and devotion, intent upon fulfilling the will of Hashem as described above, in order to survive and reach our full potential. The Torah emphasises that each Mitzvah is valuable and has inestimable worth.

In Summary, Hashem's covenant with Bnai Yisrael is still relevant and applicable to us today. Every one of the 613 Mitzvot were given to benefit humanity. The word Elkev, is symbolically linked to all of the commandments that we are supposed to keep throughout this and the other sedra readings in the Torah. Hashem and Moshe wants to remind us to not only keep the mitzvot through traditional ways of rewards and punishments but with symbolic and subconscious reminders; that what seems to us on the surface as a simple, ordinary Mitzvah may in fact carry immense weight and heal us spiritually, immeasurably.



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THE NEW EALING REVIEW

ROSH HASHANNAH 2016/5777

If you would like to donate a page in this year's Rosh Hashannah magazine, advertise an event or business, or simply insert New Year greetings and/or any other message, please complete the form below and return it to Marianne Temple. Thank you for your support.

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The Ladies Shuir

Unfortunately Rabbi Jacobs is still not well enough to continue teaching us. We wish him a refuah shlema. In the meantime we are happy to announce new arrangements for the continuation of the shuir from **Wednesday , 7th September**. We invite you to join us. All welcome . No previous knowledge required

Maureen Kendler

will be our new teacher and her subject will be

Why does God Love David ?

Maureen is a Teaching Fellow at the London School of Jewish Studies. She has degrees in English Literature and Jewish Education, and works as an adult educator in the Jewish community in the UK and internationally. She broadcasts regularly for BBC Radio 2 Pause For Thought, writes for the Jewish Chronicle and has a passion for teaching texts.

The Shuir takes place in the Beth Hamedrish at St Johns Wood Synagogue on Wednesday's from 10.30-11.30 am. Charge £10 including coffee and biscuits. For further information contact annegodfrey75@gmail.com



A COMMUNAL RESPONSE TO THE CHALLENGES OF AGUNAH: **ACTION AND EDUCATION**

A working session for men and women who wish to engage in exploring active steps that can be taken by all members of the community.

- Learn about how the research and halachic ideas raised by Professor Halperin Kaddari at the JOFA UK Agunah Conference on 16 March 2016 can be progressed here in England.
- Explore where rabbonim, batei din, legal and other professionals together with the wider community can educate themselves and others as to the plight of Agunah and its possible solutions.
- Hear how English civil law currently bolsters practical solutions but remains impotent in other respects.

TUESDAY 13TH SEPTEMBER 2016, 7:45PM

At Maurice and Vivienne Wohl Campus 221,
Golders Green Road, London NW11

Facilitated by [Sarah Anticoni](#), a mediator and divorce lawyer with Charles Russell Speechlys who is steeped in the day to day challenges in this area and hopes to provoke a constructive dialogue leading to tangible steps to be taken on a cross communal basis.

Women and men welcome

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The Borough of Ealing will be holding an Open Studios event over two weekends.

Jen Henley and two friends are exhibiting artists. Jen is opening her home (42 Grange Road) to the public to view and purchase their work.

The exhibition will be open on 10-11 September and 17-18 September from 11.00am to 5.00pm.

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