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If you would like to make a Kiddush or book the synagogue hall for a function, please contact the Synagogue office.

In the event of a bereavement, in the first instance please contact the Burial Office—020 8950 7767. If you wish to speak to Rabbi Hershi Vogel, please contact him on 07970 829758; Brian Robinson: 020 8567 6558; Neil Shestopal: 020 8579 5099

Ealing Synagogue Newsletter



שבת שלום

Friday 25 April 2014/Shabbat 25 Nissan 5774

Sidra: Kedoshim

Times of Services

Friday 25 April 2014
Shabbat begins: 7.59 pm
Mincha/
Kabbalat Shabbat: 7.15 pm

Shabbat 26 April 2014
Mevorachim HaChodesh Iyar
Shacharit: 9.30 am
Shabbat ends: 9.08 pm

Sunday 27 April 2014
Shacharit: 8.40 am

Friday 2 May 2014
Shabbat begins: 8.11 pm
Mincha/
Kabbalat Shabbat: 7.15 pm

ROSH CHODESH IYAR

WEDNESDAY 30 APRIL AND THURSDAY 1 MAY 2014
SHACHARIT—8.00 AM

MAZAL TOV!

To Deborah and Jonny Leigh on the birth of their first daughter, Amelia Daisy (Hadassah Beryl bat Yaakov), who arrived at 5.40 am on Tuesday 22 April weighing a bouncy 3.3 kg (7lb 5oz). The Ealing community extends a hearty Mazal Tov to grandparents Robin and Susie Leigh (Mill Hill) and Adrienne and Michael Cowen (Glasgow) and wishes the whole family much nachat and bracha from their new addition.

SHABBAT 26 APRIL 2014 SPECIAL KIDDUSH

Sybil and Peter Sabel have pleasure in inviting the congregation to Kiddush in celebration of Peter's second Bar Mitzvah. Peter will be saying Haftorah. Please join us in wishing Peter only good health and happiness for many more years to come.

Ealing Synagogue Library

All the books in the Library are available to borrow. Please sign your name and book details in the Register. If you have any books that you would like to donate to the Library, please call Michael Jacobs—020 8998 7932. Please do not leave them at the shul.

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SHABBAT 10 MAY 2014
SPECIAL KIDDUSH

Muriel Jacobs has pleasure in inviting the congregation to Kiddush in celebration of her 95th birthday. Please join us in wishing Muriel a very happy birthday and only good health and happiness, until 120!

SUNDAY 27 APRIL 2014
YOM HA'SHOAH

Guardian of the Memory Project

This Sunday, 27th April is Yom HaShoah which many local communities commemorate in a variety of ways. On a personal level, Yad Vashem – UK Foundation are encouraging people to do what they can to keep the memory alive of each victim of the Shoah. The attached letter provides more information about how you can do this through their Guardian of the Memory project.

Prime Minister's Holocaust Commission

In addition, you may be aware that the Prime Minister's Holocaust Commission has been set up to investigate what measures should be taken to ensure Britain has a permanent and fitting memorial to the Holocaust. Do please send your own personal submissions to the Commission. You can fill in the online form [here](#) or if you prefer [download this quick form](#) for you to post.

SUNDAY 18 MAY 2014
EALING SYNAGOGUE AGM

All Ealing Synagogue members should have received by now information regarding Ealing Synagogue's AGM. A reminder that all nomination forms must be submitted by **Friday 25 April at the latest**. If you have any questions, please contact Mellissa Levitt in the synagogue office.

MONDAY 19 MAY 2014
US WOMEN'S DINNER

The US Women Annual Dinner will be held at Kinloss. Reception is at 7.15 pm and dinner at 7.45 pm. Ealing Synagogue has just four places left. Tickets are £15.00 each and should be made payable to "US Women". Please contact Marianne Temple if you would like to come along.

STANMORE SYNAGOGUE
"LES MISERABBIS"

For your light entertainment!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BvEHJpsBCIg&feature=youtu.be&app=desktop>

Snapshot Torah



GUIDE TO THE WEEKLY PARSHA

ISSUE 31

26th April 2014

KEDOSHIM

26th Nissan 5774

Kohen - First Aliya:

Chapter 19, verses 1 -14

- ✦ Hashem commands Moshe to speak to Bnai Yisrael ordering them to become holy because I Hashem your g-d is holy. Hashem then details a series of laws that will assist Bnai Yisrael in achieving this goal.
- ✦ The first steps in becoming holy is be in awe of and revere your parents, keeping Shabbat and the prohibitions of any idol worship.
- ✦ Holiness is also accomplished by leaving any gleanings in the field after it's produce has been harvested, for the poor to gather up, refrain from stealing, lying, swearing falsely and withholding any money or wages owed to an employee on time.

Levi - Second Aliya:

Chapter 19, verses 15 - 22

- ✦ The path towards holiness continues with the prohibitions of cursing the deaf, putting stumbling blocks in front of the blind, perverting the cause for justice and taking bribes, gossiping, taking revenge and bearing a grudge against someone.
- ✦ One of the most fundamental and famous principle is then quoted here. "Loving your neighbour like yourself"
- ✦ Next, the laws of Shatnez (forbidden mixtures) are discussed including cross breeding, planting a field with mixed types of seeds and wearing any garment made from wool and linen combined.

Sh'lishi - Third Aliya:

Chapter 19, verses 23 - 32

- ✦ The commandments regarding orla (The laws prohibiting us to consume produce from a fruit tree during its first three years of growth) are mentioned. On the tree's fourth year the fruit is to be sanctified to Hashem and in the fifth and consecutive years after, the fruit can then be eaten by anyone.
- ✦ Other prohibitions along with their punishments are cited here. These include performing acts of sorcery or delving into the occult, cutting oneself as a sign of mourning, having a tattoo and shaving off ones hair completely.

R'vii - Fourth Aliya:

Chapter 19, verses 33 – 37

- ✦ The laws continue with respecting and honouring a rabbi, sage and the elderly, and the prohibitions of against immoral behaviours.

Chamishi - Fifth Aliya:

Chapter 20, verses 1 - 7

- ✦ Next comes the laws concerning how Scales, weights and measures of all types must be correct so that no one is short-changed and the prohibition against worshipping the Molech and the importance of keeping kosher.

Shishi - Sixth Aliya:

Chapter 20, verses 8 – 22 and

Sh'vi'i - Seventh Aliya:

Chapter 20, verses 23 - 27

- ✦ The remainder of parshas Kedoshim states the specific punishments that Bait Din would administer for the fifteen prohibited sexual relationships listed at the end of Acharei Mot and the concept of holiness as the means for being separate from the other nations.
- ✦ Finally the torah explains that Eretz Yisrael, Bnai Yisrael, and time in general are intended to reflect the integration of Godliness into the daily lives of all us; in order to realize our mission as the "Kingdom of Priests and a Holy Nation" that will be the degree to which we retain the right to dwell in the Land of Israel in peace.

Haftorah – Amos, Chapter 9, verses 7 to 15

OVERVIEW:

- ✦ This week's Haftorah is the one that we normally read for Acharei Mos.
- ✦ Amos the Navi began by chastising Bnai Yisrael for being no better than the Philistines (Philistines) or the Arameans (Arameans) who were also saved from oppression and enslavement but did not cherish the opportunity that we were given of having a closer bond with Hashem by becoming His chosen nation.
- ✦ King Yiravam II extended the boundaries of the northern kingdom of Israel but upon hearing Amos's prophecy that his kingdom would not last; tried to banish Amos from the land.
- ✦ Amos criticized the kingdom for persecuting the poor and immersing themselves in materialism and luxury and explained to the Jewish people that their primary destruction will be directed against their leaders of the kingdom while the populace would be driven into golus (exile).
- ✦ However because of Hashem's kindness, Amos finishes his prophecy stating that the Davidic dynasty will one day be rebuilt, culminating in the coming of Moshiach, ending the golus.

LINK TO SEDRA READING:

- ✦ The basic theme of both the Parsha and Haftorah is the responsibility of us as Jews to maintain a life style of Kedusha (Holiness) that sets us apart from all the other nations, which grants us the right to live in Eretz Yisrael.

WEEKLY DISCUSSION: What it means to be Holy.

This week's Parsha began with the commandment for all of Klal Yisrael to become holy; but what does this imply in reality?

According to Rashi, Holiness in this context is actually a prerequisite for fulfilling the majority of all the six hundred and thirteen Mitzvahs mentioned in the Torah and because of this, Rashi explains why, right after this commandment, the Torah then proceeds in telling us how various mitzvahs should be correctly observed.

Looking closely you should be able to see that these Mitzvahs can fall under two different categories. The first group, just like the first five of the Ten Statements (Commandments) are between Man and Hashem. For example: The Laws of keeping Shabbat; whereas the second group fit under the laws between Man and Man, like the second five of the Ten Statements, e.g. The prohibition of coveting your neighbours possessions.

Chazal explains that there is a misconception of assuming that since Hashem is already holy, we should concentrate solely on becoming more holy for his sake. However Kedusha (Holiness) also applies to the relationships we have with our fellow man too because otherwise you might have thought that being holy towards man would be a waste of time and effort because people after all are only human at the end of the day.

Therefore the Torah comes to teach us that this is precisely the reason why we are all ordered to become holy because if everyone would be able to maintain a constant high level of Kedusha in their lives everyone would be able to adhere to the well-known words of 'Loving your neighbour as you love yourself.'

If that is the case, how could it be possible to even think of stealing, hurting or mistreating another? It would not be proper for a Righteous and Holy person to do such a thing. Therefore it is because of this commandment right back at the start of the sedra that does indeed separate us from all the other nations.

May we all continue by our own merits of being Holy and setting an example to the rest of the world, showing them how everyone has the potential & capabilities of obeying and following Hashem's commandment's if they so desire, in order that Peace will ultimately reign supreme and bring us all ever closer to the time of the Moshiach speedily in our days.



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Yad Vashem - UK Foundation

Remembering the Past, Honouring the Memory, Shaping the Future

GUARDIAN OF THE MEMORY

April 2014

There were **6 million Jewish victims** of the Holocaust; among them **1.5 million were children**. These are statistics often impossible to comprehend. Some of these individuals had no members of their family left to remember them. Families today may not know the names or ages of some or all of their family members who died. It is Yad Vashem – UK Foundation's aim to keep the memory alive of every one of the Jewish victims of the Shoah, and to remember each victim as a human being with a name and unique personal story.

Guardian of the Memory aims to ensure that every Jewish victim has a memorial candle lit in their honour on Yom HaShoah, 27th Nissan. This year the English date of Yom HaShoah is Sunday 27th April 2014, and we will be lighting memorial candles in memory of the victims on Saturday night, 26th April 2014.

We urge you to become a Guardian of the Memory of one individual who was lost while the world remained silent. To learn more about this worthwhile project and become a Guardian please visit our website www.guardianofthememory.org . Alternatively visit our Facebook page at www.facebook.com/guardianofthememory or www.yomhashoah.org.uk. For more information on the background of different victims of the Shoah, please visit The Shoah Victims' Names Recovery Project on the Yad Vashem website, which has identified over 4 million names of Shoah victims, documented in the Central Database of Shoah Victims' Names. There is no charge to participate in this worthwhile project.

Kindest regards

Evelynne Garbacz

On behalf of Yad Vashem – UK Foundation



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