



Times of Services

2015

Friday 20 March

Shabbat begins: 5.59 pm

Mincha/

Kabbalat Shabbat: 6.00 pm

Shabbat 21 March

Shacharit: 9.15 am

Haftarah: Robert Robinson

D'var Torah: Robinson

grandchildren

Mincha: After Kiddush

Shabbat ends: 7.02 pm

Sunday 22 March

Shacharit: 8.40 am

Friday 27 March

Shabbat begins: 6.11 pm

Mincha/

Kabbalat Shabbat: 6.15 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 would be delighted to help with any preparation or revision that would be needed.

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

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

Israeli Dancing!



Every Tuesday evening at 8.00 pm at Ealing Synagogue. All welcome. No charge.

In the event of a bereavement, in the first instance please contact the Burial Office : 020 8950 7767.

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Ealing Synagogue Newsletter



שבת שלום

Friday 20 March 2015/Shabbat HaChodesh I Nissan 5775

Sidra: Vayikra

SHABBAT 21 MARCH SPECIAL KIDDUSH

Judith and Brian Robinson have pleasure in inviting the congregation to Kiddush in celebration of Judith's 70th Birthday. Please join us in wishing Judith a very happy birthday and many more years in only good health so that she can continue cooking, shopping, worrying and generally looking after everyone in the community.

MAZAL TOV

To Yvonne Caplan on the arrival of a new great grandson, Eitan Yisrael Sacker (Yisrael in memory of Ian Caplan z"l). Eitan was born on Tuesday 3 March, weighing in at 9lbs 3oz, to parents Daniel and Michelle Sacker. The Ealing community extends a hearty Mazal Tov to grandparents Lindy and Laurence Sacker and all the family. Wishing them all much beracha and nachat from the new addition to the family.

SHABBAT 28 MARCH—SHABBAT HAGADOL “SHABBAT TAHAN”

Menashe Tahan will be giving his Pesach D'Var on Shabbat 28 March. In “A Fourth Haggadah Mystery and its History”, Menashe will explain why the role of Moses in the liberation of the Jewish people is completely absent from the Haggadah.

SALE OF CHAMETZ

Please find attached a Sale of Chametz form. The Rabbi will be available in shul on Sunday 29 March until 10.00 am for the sale of Chametz. For those of you travelling before then, please be in touch with the Rabbi directly regarding your sale of Chametz.

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Nissan 5775

March 2015

EALING SYNAGOGUE – PESACH 5775**DELEGATION OF POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR THE SALE OF CHOMETZ**

I, the undersigned, fully empower and authorise Rabbi H Vogel to act in my place and stead, and on my behalf, to sell all *Chametz* possessed by me (knowingly or unknowingly) as defined by the Torah and Rabbinic laws (e.g. *Chametz*, doubt or suspicion of *Chametz* and all *Chametz* mixtures). Also *Chametz* that is unfit for human food and that tends to adhere to a surface of the inside of pans, pots or cooking utensils, and all kinds of live animals or birds that eat *Chametz* or mixture thereof. And to lease all places wherein the *Chametz* owned by me may be stored or found, especially in the premises specified below, and elsewhere, up to and including **Friday 14 Nissan 5775/3rd April 2015, at 11.59 a.m.** Rabbi H Vogel has the full right to sell and to lease by transactions as he deems fit and proper and for such time he believes necessary, in accordance with all the detailed terms and forms, as explained in the general Contract of Sale, which will be signed on the instruction of Rabbi H Vogel. This authorisation is made part of that contract. Also, I do hereby give the said Rabbi H Vogel full power and authority to appoint a proxy in his place, with the full power to sell and to lease as provided herein. The above given power is in conformity with all the Torah, Rabbinical regulations and laws, and also in accordance with the laws of the Country. And to this I hereby affix my signature.

On this day of the month of in the year 5775/2015.

Name: _____

Signature: _____

Address: _____

_____ Post Code: _____

- This form must be returned to Rabbi Vogel by Tuesday 31st March 2015 at the latest. No responsibility will be accepted for forms received later.
- For those spending Pesach eastwards, e.g. in Eretz Yisrael, *Chametz* should be sold earlier. If intending to do so, please tick this box: ☐
- This service is provided without charge. Any monies enclosed will go towards the pre-Pesach appeal.

Please send the signed form to: Rabbi H Vogel
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Snapshot Torah



GUIDE TO THE WEEKLY PARSHA

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VAYIKRA

Nissan 1st 5775

Kohen - First Aliya: Chapter 1, verses 1 - 13

- ✚ Hashem explains to Moshe, what the criteria is when a person offers up a Korban (Sacrifice) to him.
- ✚ The Korban Olah (Burnt Offering) is mentioned first. If they are going to use either a male bull, goat or sheep, the animal must be completely healthy and blemish free.
- ✚ There is seven stages to the Korban. Smei: (Leaning of the hands and declaring why you are bringing it), Shehita: (The ritual killing of the Korban), Zrika: (the sprinkling of the blood), Hafshata: (Skinning of the animal), Nitoa: (cutting the animal up into portions), Meilha: (salting) and Hakrava: (placing the meat onto the Mizbayah and consume in fire until completely burnt).

Levi - Second Aliya: Chapter 1, verse 14 – Chapter 2, verse 6

- ✚ If a bird is used for the Korban Olah, then it must undergo five different stages. Melika: (The bird's throat being cut using the Kohanim's thumbnail), Meetzuy Ha'dam: (Squeezing out the bird's blood), Meilha – Hakrava: (The head of the bird is salted and then completely burned on the Mizbayah), Hasarat Murah: (The removal of the inner organs and the bird's crop) and Shisua (Splitting and salting the rest of the bird and burning it on the Mizbayah).
- ✚ The laws of the Korban Mincha (Meal offering) are discussed next. The ingredients required are finely ground flour, pure oil and frankincense. These are brought to the Kohen who takes a Kmitza (handful), from which three fingers full are burnt and the rest the Kohen can keep for himself.

Sh'lishi - Third Aliya: Chapter 2, verses 7 - 16

- ✚ Depending on the reason why the Mincha offering was brought the Korban is either baked, fried or deep fried. The only grain that is toasted is the first Omer crop of barley.
- ✚ Regardless of what cooking method was used, all of them must be salted first. None of the Korban's must be given already leavened or sweetened.

R'v'i - Fourth Aliya: Chapter 3, verses 1 - 16

- ✚ The Korban Shlamim (Peace Offering) has the same criteria as the Olah; except this time only certain parts of the unblemished animal are placed on the Mizbayah. The rest is then divided up and shared between the Kohen and the owner, for consuming.

Chamishi - Fifth Aliya: Chapter 4, verses 1 - 26 and

Shishi - Sixth Aliya: Chapter 4, verse 27 – Chapter 5, Verse 26

- ✚ To atone for an unintentional sin which is classed as serious, a Korban Hataf (Sin offering) is offered up.
- ✚ The Korban 'Oleh V'yored' for the sins which includes either: not testifying in court when they should, making something holy, impure, Swearing a false oath or doesn't keep one; are all dependent on the wealth of the individual concerned. I.e. if the person cannot afford a sheep or goat, they may offer up a bird in its stead. If the person is too poor even for that, they must offer up a Korban Mincha (Meal offering) but without the oil or frankincense.
- ✚ Finally there is the Korban Asham (Guilt offering) the process used is similar to the Hataf Korban but are for committing the following sins: Using sacred property without permission, swearing falsely to financial matters or if there is uncertainty if the crime committed, warrants a Hataf Korban in the first place.

Sh'v'i - Seventh Aliya: Rosh Chodesh Reading: Bamidbar, Chapter 28 Verses 9 = 15

- ✚ Laws of what additional Korban's are offered up when you see a new moon 'Rosh Chodesh'

Maftir – PARSHAS HACHODESH, Shemot, Chapter 12 Verses 1 - 20

- Two weeks prior to the Exodus, Hashem informs Moshe that the month of Nissan will be known from this moment on 'The head of all Months'. Moshe has to instruct Bnai Yisrael on how to set up the 'Jewish Calendar' by looking out for and reporting back the start of every cycle of the new moon which will mark the beginning of each month.
- Hashem also instructs Bnai Yisrael to abstain from consuming any food which has leavened for seven days and that they must bring a Korban Pesach, (Pascal Lamb) which has be eaten with matzah and bitter herbs.

Haftorah – PARSHAS HACHODESH, Ezekiel Chapter 45 Verses 18-46

OVERVIEW:

- The Haftorah begins with a description of the various korbanos (sacrifices) that will be brought to the Beis Hamikdash and offered up to Hashem.
- Every year on the fourteenth of Nissan, every family must bring a Korban Pesach to Jerusalem.
- The rest of the Haftorah is devoted to of Ezekiel's prophecy regarding the third Beis Hamikdash, its structure, inauguration and some of the practices that will be observed and practised there.

LINK TO SEDRA READING:

- The Haftorah is a prophecy regarding the Paschal Offering that will be brought during the Messianic Era. This reflects the theme of Maftir HaChodesh, where Moshe is commanding Bnai Yisrael in Mitzraim how to prepare and bring the Korban Pesach.

WEEKLY DISCUSSION:

What do you think of when you think about sacrifices?

Maybe it's the thought of giving something up. 'I'll stop eating chocolate and cakes as I need to stay healthy. Or maybe it's the idea of a bargaining tool. 'If you do X for me then I'll cease to do Y; but that's not what the Hebrew word Korban connotes.

In Hebrew, Korban translates as 'to draw near'. Enabling someone to draw closer to Hashem. Our ancestors came to realise and accepted that everything in creation belongs to Hashem. Given that, they asked; as everything we own and everything we don't own already belongs to the Holy One, Blessed be He. What can we then offer to Hashem to show our appreciation and draw us closer together?

Parsha Vayikra plunges us headlong into the sacrificial system and the mode of interacting with Hashem. Of course this type of Avodah (Service) is as distant as can be from what we can offer today. Who could read those words, without thinking ahead to Pesach? In temple times no leavened bread could be burned as an offering to Hashem; yet in our modern times our leaven is precisely what we burn when we perform the mitzvot of 'bedikat hametz'

Unleavened bread is still a means by which we approach Hashem, and is why it's customary to salt our matzo during the Seder service; not just because they taste better that way but because of the reminder in parshas Vayikra of true Avodas Hashem (service to Hashem). Today what we burn is precisely what we don't want to bring to our encounters with Hashem. Despite the involvement of fire, the process of searching for the leaven and burning it, isn't a Korban to Hashem in the way described in the torah but the cause and effect of our actions both in a physical sense and spiritual are no different. We are basically ridding ourselves of our ego and anything fermented in ourselves which might have been soured.

May the process of bedikat hametz give us a chance to rid ourselves of our internal Hametz; in order to engage in our Seder Services with pure hearts which I believe is an apt way of giving our personal korbanos (offerings) to Hashem enabling us to draw near to him as our Ancestors intended.



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Pesach & The Jewish Woman



US in the City



With Rabbi Jonathan Hughes

@ Investec Wealth and Investment

2 Gresham Street, London EC2V 7QP

12.30 – 1.30pm Monday, 23rd March 2015

Complimentary lunch

Booking essential by emailing: Susan.Owens@investecwin.co.uk

Rabbi Hughes will focus on the feminine themes of the Pesach story and how they shape the modern world

This event is exclusively for women



On Sunday 19 April 2015, the aim is bring together the largest gathering of the Jewish community to remember together the loss of six million and to pay tribute to the Survivors and Refugees for the remarkable contributions they have made to the Jewish community and wider UK society. The National Commemoration Event 'Remember Together - We Are One' is taking place on Sunday 19 April, 2pm, at Barnet Copthall Stadium - the same date as the Warsaw Ghetto Uprising.

