

**Parashat Tzav - Shabbat Hagadol**

	Hertz	Cohen	Stone	Gutnick		Shabbat Begins	7.22 pm
Sedra	429	631	568	648		Shabbat ends	8.27pm
Haftarah	1005	1197	1220	1505			

**Announcements**

**A warm welcome to Chief Rabbi Sir Jonathan & Lady Sacks who will be with us on Shabbat morning. We are delighted to announce that the Chief Rabbi will give the Shabbat Hagadol Drasha following Musaf.**

**Kiddush Sponsor**

Sidney Murray, sons Howard and Stuart and their families invite the congregation to Kiddush in memory of Blanche Murray z"l

**Breakfast Sponsor**

Breakfasts this week are kindly sponsored by the Honorary Officers and Board of Management.

**Birthdays— Mazal Tov:**

Simon Conway	Jacob Wayne
Jonathan Wayne	Alexia Salem
Mark Strong	Matthew Lindsay
Gerald Davidson	Jonathan Green
Joey Esfandi	Nicola Pasha
David Kaye	Bernard Fellowes
Hilary David	Malcolm Brenner
Valerie Lewis	Henry Kaye

**Wedding Anniversaries—Mazal Tov**

Mina & Everard Goodman  
Claire & James Cox  
Susi & Yaacov Schmidt  
Carolyn & Michael Goldhill

**Refuah Shlemah**

Basil Appleby	Baruch Pinchas ben Zissel
Alf Bloomstein	Abba ben Golda
Seymour Freed	Shmuel Zeev ben Sara Rivka
Gala Colover	Chana bat Yehudit
Nat Winsor	Asher Mordecai ben Shifra
Caroline Buchler	Noach ben Miriam Chayah
	Miriam bat Sara

Shira bat Leah  
Rivka Bat Chava

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**Two halachic matters of importance in this coming week:**

**1. BIRKAT HACHAMA -THE BLESSING OF THE SUN – ONCE EVERY 28 YEARS AND ON WEDNESDAY APRIL 8.** (PRAYERS IN SHUL AFTER THE SIYUM FOR THE FIRST-BORN)

What is "The Blessing of the Sun?" Chabad in explaining it put it into perspective: *"Last time it happened, President Reagan was just elected, no one thought that the Soviet Union would fall, the personal computer was science fiction, and the Internet was a government research tool."*

For a summary of the background, information and selected laws to Birkat Hachamah, read the attachment to this week's Newsletter.

**2. Eruv Tavshilin: A ceremony in which one makes minimum preparation for Shabbat on Erev Yom Tov, by setting aside some bread and some cooked food for the Shabbat meal.**

**What is Eruv Tavshilin?** Cooking on Yom Tov for Yom Tov is permitted, but cooking ahead for other days of the week is not. This poses a problem when the second day of Yom Tov falls the day before Shabbat, as this year when the 2<sup>nd</sup> Day of Pesach falls on Friday April 10, followed by Shabbat Chol Hamo'ed. So, to allow us to prepare ahead on Yom Tov for Shabbat (when we cannot do any cooking), we employ a Rabbinical formula known as "**Eruv Tavshilin**" meaning "a **Mixture (Eruv), of Cooked Foods**" (*Tavshilin*),

**How to:** On Wednesday afternoon before Seder Night make a plate of one Matza with some fish, or a hard-boiled egg or cooked meat and recite the following blessing:

*Baruch ata Ado... Eloheinu Melech Ha'olam, asher kid'shanu b'mitzvotav v'tzivanu al mitzvat eruv. "Blessed are You Lord our G-d King of the Universe, who has sanctified us with His commandments and commanded us concerning the mitzvah of Eruv."*

Then make the following declaration:

*"By virtue of this Eruv we shall be permitted to bake, cook, keep food warm, carry, light candles and to prepare and do on the Festival all that is necessary for the Shabbat."*

**Result:** It is now considered as if we had begun meal preparations for the Sabbath before Yomtov, and we can now continue to prepare on Shabbat on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Day Yomtov, Friday. Just remember to eat on Shabbat from the plate you prepared!

**Shabbat Shalom— Rabbi Lionel Rosenfeld**

**Next Shabbat Chol Hamoed (Pesach—3rd day)**

10th—11th April 2009

Commences 7.34pm Mincha & Maariv **6.15pm**

**Friday 3rd April**

7.30 am Shacharit followed by breakfast & Haftarah Shiur by Ervin Landau  
6.15 pm Mincha, Kabbalat Shabbat & D'var Torah

**Shabbat 4th April**

8.45 am Shiur with Ervin Landau  
9.15 am **Service followed by the Chief Rabbi's Shabbat Hagadol Drasha**  
7.15 pm Mincha, Seudah Shlishit & D'var Torah by Rabbi LR  
8.27 pm Maariv & Havdalah

**Sunday 5th April**

8.30 am Shacharit followed by breakfast and Thought for the Day by Alan Goldberg

**Restarts** Cheder Aged 4—12 years. Contact Batsheva  
**10th May** Burns for further information on 0796 88 555 96 or email cheder.marblearch@gmail.com

**Monday 6th April**

7.30 am Shacharit followed by breakfast and D'var Torah by Michael Milston  
10.30 am No Ladies' Shiur this week— recommences April 20th

**Tuesday 7th April—**

7.30 am Shacharit followed by breakfast Shiur by Rabbi Yosef Vogel  
**Bedikat Chametz after nightfall**

**Wednesday 8th April—Erev Pesach Fast of First Born & Blessing of the Sun**

7.30 am Shacharit followed by Siyum for the First Born & Birkat Hachamah (Blessing of the Sun)  
**10.49 am Latest time for eating Chametz**  
**11.56 am Latest time for burning & disposal of Chametz**  
**Prepare Erev Tavshilin (details on website)**  
**7.31 pm Yom Tov begins**  
**7.15 pm Micha & Maariv followed by Communal Seder**

**Thursday 9th April—First day Pesach**

9.15 am Shacharit and Tefilat Tal  
7.15 pm Mincha & Maariv  
8.36 pm Candle lighting second day Yom Tov

**Friday 10th April - Second day Pesach**

9.15 am Shacharit

**Mincha & Ma'ariv: Sun 5th—Tues 7th April 2009 6.15pm**  
**Wed Apr 8th 2009 7.15pm/Thurs Apr 9th 2009 7.15pm**

**Security Rota**

Joshua Ejdelbaum. Alan Goldberg. David Woolf.

**Kiddush Rota**

Esther Isaacs. Linda Sharpe

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**FOR YOUR INFORMATION**

**Parsha Shiur for Ladies**

Next Shiur Monday 20th April at 10.30am

**Pesach Appeal 5769**

It is our custom at Pesach to collect monies to assist those people who are less fortunate than ourselves to purchase food for Pesach and to subsidise certain members of our community and students who need to be invited to our communal Seder. **Please send your donation to the Synagogue Office as soon as possible. Credit Card Payments Accepted**

**Sunday 5th April—Kashering for Pesach**

**Rabbi Lazar Kesselman will be kashering our kitchens on Sunday morning. If you have any kitchenware to be koshered for Pesach, please bring them to the Synagogue before 12 noon.**

**Wednesday 8th April—First Night Seder**

**Conducted by Rabbi Lionel Rosenfeld**

**Only 20 places remain for our wonderful communal Seder.** Last bookings must be made now through the Synagogue Office. Adults £57.50, children under 16 and accredited students £20. Credit card payments accepted.

**Sunday 26th April London Marathon—**

**Kisharon**

Yoni Forsyth, who attends Shabbat Services, is a student who is running the London Marathon to raise funds for Kisharon (a school and nursery looking after children with special needs). If you would like to sponsor him for his run, this would be a great Mitzvah. Kindly go to [www.justgiving.com/yoniforsyth](http://www.justgiving.com/yoniforsyth) If you wish to donate to this worthy cause.

**New Committees**

Please contact Linda Sharpe to join one of our new Committees for the 35—50 year olds or the 50—65 year olds. This exciting new venture has been initiated by Linda Sharpe, Ruth Rouach and Frances Goldberg. We are looking for people to help organise either of these committees, or if you have ideas for events. Please contact Linda on 0207 289 1825, if you are able to help us.

**Sponsoring an Event**

If you are celebrating a Simchah or commemorating a family Yahrzeit or if you are just feeling generous please consider contacting the office and sponsoring a Shabbat Morning Kiddush, the Morning Minyan breakfasts or the weekly Newsletter.

