

27th Adar 5770/13th March 2010

Minister: Rabbi Lionel Rosenfeld

Emeritus Chazan: Rev. Moshe Dubiner

Parashat Vayakhel Pekudei Shabbat Hachodesh Shabbat Mevarchin

	Hertz	Cohen	Stone	Gutnick		
						Shabbat 5.45pm
Sedra	372	573	516	584		Shabbat ends 6.48pm
Maftir	253	386	348	406		
Haftarah	1001	1195	1218	1502		

"Vayakhel" indicates an Assembly and Moses would certainly have had a logistical problem. The actual assembling of the children of Israel can have been no easy task. One wonders what were the lines of communication. and how did he keep the enthusiasm going? Having just come back from his second trip to the top of Mount Sinai, carrying the new set of tablets, now he must get everyone together and attempt to regenerate the unique atmosphere when he let fly at them over the Golden Calf episode. How does he start? Perhaps highlighting the most novel commandment would no doubt attract the weary throng by giving them a day of rest, and this is what he does. He emphasises something which was to become one of the most important and significant commandments, a commandment known and in some way still observed by most Jews throughout the passage of time - the acknowledgment of the Sabbath. We note that by its precedence it became even more important than the building of the Ark and the Tabernacle.

How do we measure its attraction? Simply by the response shown by the generosity of the people, to an extent that their "heart was stirred up" and they came back and brought "nose-rings and ear-rings, and signet-rings and girdles all jewel and gold, blue purple and scarlet and fine linen, and goats hair and ram's skins and sealskins". To say nothing of the "onyx stones, spices oil and sweet incense".

And do you know, many of them waited to give until they were the last to do so, because they assumed there would be a short-fall, and by making up the deficit, glory would be upon them. A sort of 10th man at the 11th hour. So where does that leave us? Some two weeks or so before Pesach, a matter of days before you receive my letter asking for contributions to our Pesach Appeal.

Recently in shul I have seen some nose-rings, many ear rings and signet rings and of course the usual wearers of rams skins and seal skins, I don't ask for them, I just ask for the usual generosity which our members show towards the less fortunate, credit card numbers will do, and please don't leave it until the last... we need to get the food parcels out in time!

Shabbat Shalom

Barrington Black

Announcements

We welcome Chief Rabbi Lord Sacks & Lady Elaine Sacks who will be with us this Shabbat

Kiddush Sponsor

Esther Isaacs & Richard Harris invite the congregation to Kiddush after the service to celebrate Richard's Aliyah

Breakfast Sponsor

Breakfasts this week are kindly sponsored by Katya & Bernard Silver to commemorate the Yahrzeit of Bernard's grandfather Solomon Bloomstein z"l

Birthdays—Mazal Tov to:

Isabella Rapp	Alexander Ziff
Maximilian Marks	Amy Isaacs
Anthony Yadgaroff	Jane Mirwitch
Ruth Fellows	Lawrence Harding
Valerie Saxby	Lilah Vanger
Murray Gastman	Naomi Halper
Ada Secks	

Wedding Anniversary—Mazal Tov

Rachael & Gregory Phillips
Hilary & Philip David
Wendy & Gerald Lipton
Sarah & James Glyn

Refuah Shlemah

Leonard Roodyn	Chaim Eliezer ben Malka
Nat Winsor	Noach Ben Miriam Chaya
Seymour Freed	Shmuel Zeev ben Sara Rivka
Gala Colover	Chana bat Yehudit
M.A.	Devorah bat Yocheved
Tilly Rosenblatt	Golda Esther bat Rivka Rachel

Pesach Parcels

We have a limited number of parcels to distribute to those in need in our community. If you know of anyone who might benefit, please notify the office

Next Shabbat - Vayikra

19th—20th March 2010

Commences 5.57pm Mincha & Kabbalat Shabbat 6.00pm

Friday 12th March

- 7.30 am Shacharit followed by breakfast & Haftarah Shiur by Ervin Landau
5.45 pm Mincha, Kabbalat Shabbat & D'var Torah with The Chief Rabbi

Shabbat 13th March

- 8.45 am Shiur with Harry Handelsman
9.15 am Shacharit, Sermon by The Chief Rabbi
5.45 pm Mincha, Seudah Shlishit & D'var Torah by The Chief Rabbi
6.48 pm Maariv & Havdalah

Sunday 14th March

- 8.30 am Shacharit followed by breakfast & D'var Torah
10.30 am Cheder **Aged 4—12 years**. Contact Rabbi Rosenfeld for further information on 07811202244 or email rabbilr@marblearch.org.uk

Monday 15th March

- 7.30 am Shacharit followed by breakfast & D'var Torah by Michael Milston
10.30 am Ladies Shiur with Rabbi Lionel Rosenfeld

Tuesday 16th March—Rosh Chodesh Nisan

- 7.15 am Shacharit followed by breakfast & Shiur by Rabbi Yosef Vogel

Wednesday 17th March

- 7.30 am Shacharit followed by breakfast and Parsha Shiur by Ervin Landau

Thursday 18th March

- 7.30am Shacharit followed by breakfast & D'var Torah by Bernard Silver

Friday 19th March

- 7.30 am Shacharit followed by breakfast & Haftarah Shiur by Ervin Landau

Mincha & Ma'ariv through the week
Sun 14th—Thurs 18th March 5.45pm

Kiddush Rota

Esther Isaacs, Linda Sharpe

You can contact Rabbi Lionel & Natalie Rosenfeld at rabbilr@marblearch.org.uk
Tel: 020 7535 0458, mobile: 07811202244

Our Website: For details of times of services and events, go to www.marblearch.org.uk

Western Marble Arch Synagogue has disabled facilities

Hearing Assistive Loop System

The Synagogue is pleased to have installed a loop system for the benefit of hearing aid users. Please set your hearing aid to the 'T' setting to access this service

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Rabbi Rosenfeld's Monday Shiur for Ladies

Next Shiur Monday 15th March at 10.30am on 'The Hebrew Alphabet Gematria (Part II)

Thursday 18th March at 10.00am. Tiny Tot Thursdays for Yummy Mummies

Come along to our new playground for 0—3 years and meet new friends. Toys, music and refreshments will be provided.

Pesach Appeal 5770

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

Monday 29th March 2010—First Night Seder

We are pleased to announce that Rev. Ari Cohen will be conducting a Communal Seder on the first Seder Night, Monday 29th March. Bookings can now be made through the Synagogue Office. Adults £57.50, children under 16 and accredited students £20. Credit card payments accepted.

Newsletter Articles

We have had some very interesting articles that have been written by members in the past and we would like to have more. If you have a story to tell then why not publish it? The article should be around 450 words and be emailed to the office.

Marketplace - What do you need?

IT solutions	Property Management
White Goods and Appliances	Makeup Artist
Audio Books	Oriental Carpets
Printing	Shoes
Solicitor	Travel
Over 50's showcase	Dentist
Commercial Property Investment	Charity Shop
Airport Transfers and Private Chauffeur service	

It's all on www.marblearch.org.uk/marketplace

Support Your Community

Please note:

Waitrose in Edgware Road now carry a range of fresh kosher meats in the refrigerated section of its Kosher Department and a large selection of Passover goods. Please support local retailers who are stocking Kosher products

The Office will be closed on Sunday 4th April 2010—Chol Hamoed Pesach