



The Arch

Western Marble Arch Synagogue

Picture of the week: Marble Arch were honoured to host a breakfast for Sharon Sharabi this week after Shacharit. Sharon told of the events that led to his two brothers being taken hostage and 3 members of his family being murdered in their Kibbutz home.

- 📍 1 Wallenberg Place, London W1H 7TN
- ☎ 0207 723 9333
- 📞 Rabbi Daniel & Ilana Epstein 07885 587 885
- ✉ rabbide@marblearch.org.uk
- ✉ ilana@marblearch.org.uk
- 🏢 Western Marble Arch Office
- ✉ office@marblearch.org.uk
- 📘 /westernmarblearch
- 📷 @westernmarblearch

Shabbat Mevarchin Parashat Chayei Sarah

Shabbat begins: 4.04pm
Shabbat ends: 5.07pm

	Sedra	Haftarah
Hertz	80	90
Cohen	118	135
Stone	106	1136
Gutnick	132	1382

Message from Rabbi Epstein

#BringThemHome – Day 34

Rabbi Epstein shares his idea from last year. Wishing everyone a safe and peaceful Shabbat Shalom - Am Yisrael Chai

Dear Friends,

The connection between this week's parasha and Armistice Day is delicately summed up in one verse.

After Abraham has buried his wife Sarah, he commands his servant Eliezer to find a wife for Isaac, his son.

Eliezer is sent northwards to Abraham's family in Haran where, after a miraculous turn of events, he fortuitously (through Divine inspiration) meets Rebecca, who is brought back to meet Isaac for the first time.

After their initial encounter, the verse (Gen 24:67) covers a lot of ground in just 16 words:

"Isaac then brought her into the tent of his mother Sarah, and he took Rebekah as his wife. Isaac loved her, and thus found comfort after his mother's death."

The verse is translated as: "Isaac then brought her into the tent of his mother Sarah", but that is not what the verse actually says in Hebrew.

Literally, the verse says: "And Isaac brought her to the tent, Sarah his mother"

And then it says: "And he took Rebecca and she became his wife"

And finally, "...and he loved her, and Isaac was comforted after his mother [']s death]."

Rashi, quoting the Midrash, says:

"Isaac brought in **the idea of his mother** – all the things she had stood for, and all the miracles that had ensued in her merit:

- 1 Shabbat candles that would burn for the whole week
- 2 Challah that would stay fresh from the moment it was baked for the whole week
- 3 A cloud of glory and protection that enveloped the tent all week long.

He wanted to see if they would return with the arrival of Rebecca.

They did.

continued overleaf...

WESTERN MARBLE ARCH SYNAGOGUE PRESENTS:

**Armistice Day 2023
Stories from the Front:**
Major Gen. John Monash & Capt. Alexander Schomberg

With Judge Barrington Black

Barrington Black will mark Armistice Day with insights into the British Armed Forces through two fascinating accounts.

Shabbat 11th November
10:30am @ WMA (note earlier time)

The Week

Friday 10 November

4.15pm Mincha & Ma'ariv

Shabbat 11 November

- 8.30am Shacharit followed by kiddush
- 10.30am Stories from the front with Judge Barrington Black
- 4.00pm Mincha & Seuda Shlishit
- 5.07pm Ma'ariv & Havdalah

Shacharit followed by breakfast & shiur

- Sunday: 8.30am
- Monday: 7.30am
- Tuesday: 7.15am
- Wednesday-Friday: 7.30am

Mincha & Ma'ariv

Sunday-Thursday: 3.15pm

Kiddush

In the absence of sponsors this weeks kiddush has been provided by the Board of Management.

Breakfasts

Sunday breakfasts has been kindly sponsored by Alan Diamond to mark the 1st Yahrzeit of his wife Sheila bat Avraham Zev z"l - Sheila Diamond.

What's On

WMA WESTERN MARBLE ARCH AJEX THE ASSOCIATION OF JEWISH EXECUTIVES

REMEMBRANCE PARADE

NOV 19 2023

LEST WE FORGET

SUNDAY 19 NOVEMBER 2023
WE WILL BE MEETING AT HORSE GUARDS PARADE AT 1:45PM
MORE DETAILS TO FOLLOW

TO REGISTER YOUR INTEREST PLEASE CONTACT THE SHUL OFFICE

THE JEWISH HELPLINE LISTENING SERVICE IS HERE TO SUPPORT YOU.

JEWISH HELPLINE We listen - need to talk?

Our friendly, trained volunteers will listen to your worries or concerns, HOWEVER BIG OR SMALL.

This free service is confidential, anonymous, non-advisory and WITHOUT JUDGEMENT.

SUN-THURS 12pm-12am
FRI 12-3pm (Closed during Shabbat and Jewish Festivals)

FREEPHONE 0800 652 9249
LANDLINE 020 3096 2875

JEWISH CARE

continued from above...

Once that happened, he fell in love with Rebecca and was comforted by the fact that he knew that he could move on, because his wife would bring him the world that he had missed, securing the past, and enabling him to see a future for himself and, ultimately, for his family.

When our parents and grandparents see the subsequent generations following in their footsteps of tradition and connection to Judaism, they are comforted.

May we bring comfort to those who came before us and after us.

Shabbat shalom,
Rabbi Daniel & Ilana

BIRTHDAYS

Asher Levy, Naomi Ziff, Alison Goldberg, Nigel Peters, Hilary Isaacs, Simon Silver, Philip Kremen, Peter Steckelmacher, David Isaacs

MAZELTOV

Liz and Simon Woolfstein would like to announce the wedding of Liz's son, Douglas, to Gabby Wolin of Long Island New York, with mazeltov to all the families involved.

Yahrzeits

Monday 13 November: Alan Diamond (Wife), Jane Kaye (Father)

Wednesday 15 November: Suzanne Middleburgh (Father), Ruth Adley (Father)

Thursday 16 November: Rosemary Faiman (Father)

ANNIVERSARIES

Danielle & Sam Lipton, Ruth & David Coffe, Angela & Harvey Soning

CARE IN THE COMMUNITY

WMA Welfare Committee is here to help. Contact the Office on 020 7723 9333 if you are in need of assistance or if you would like to volunteer.

Rabbi and Rebbetzin Epstein will be on annual leave from Tuesday 7 November - Monday 13 November inclusive. We wish them a restful break.