



## No Kiddush during Pesach



Shalosh Seudos on the last day of Pesach is sponsored by the Shalosh Seudos Club

## Schedule through Pesach

### Friday, March 30th (14th Nisan) Erev Pesach

Daf Yomi	6:00 A
Shachris	7:00 A
Siyum for the First Born	
<b>Latest Time to Eat Chometz</b>	<b>10:41 A</b>
<b>Latest Time to Burn Chometz</b>	<b>11:55 A</b>
Candle Lighting	7:08 P
Mincha / Kabalas Shabbos	7:10 P
Earliest time to make Kiddush	8:05 P
Chatzos	1:10 A

### Shabbos, March 31st (15th Nisan) Pesach 1

Shachris	9:00 A
Daf Yomi	5:50 P
Early Mincha	3:30 P
Minchah	6:50 P
Class with Rabbi Baruch Danziger	8:05 P
Maariv	8:06 P
Earliest Time to light candles	1:09 A
Chatzos	

### Sunday, April 1st (16th Nisan) Pesach 2

Daf Yomi	9:00 A
Shachris	5:50 P
Minchah	7:10 P
Class with Rabbi Velvel Cook	
Maariv/Havdala	8:06 P

### Monday, April 2nd (17th Nisan) Pesach 3/ CM 1

Daf Yomi	6:00 A
Shachris 1 (with tefilin)	6:35 A
Shachris 2	8:00 A
Yeshiva Bein Hazemanim	10:00 A
Mincha /Maariv	7:15 P

### Tuesday, April 3rd (18th Nisan) Pesach 4 /CM 2

Daf Yomi	6:00 A
Shachris 1 (with tefilin)	6:35 A

Shachris 2	8:00 A
Yeshiva Bein Hazemanim	10:00 A
Mincha /Maariv	7:15 P

### Wednesday, April 4th (19th Nisan) Pesach 5/CM 3

Daf Yomi	6:00 A
Shachris 1 (with tefilin)	6:35 A
Shachris 2	8:00 A
Yeshiva Bein Hazemanim	10:00 A
Mincha /Maariv	7:15 P

### Thursday, April 5 (20th Nisan) Pesach 6/CM 4/ Erev Yom Tov

Daf Yomi	6:00 A
Shachris 1 (with tefilin)	6:35 A
Shachris 2	8:00 A
Yeshiva Bein Hazemanim	10:00 A
Eruv Tashvilin	
Mincha	7:15 P
Candle Lighting	7:13 P

### Friday, April 6th (21st Nisan) Pesach 7 (Yom Tov)

Shachris	9:00 A
Daf Yomi	5:50 P
Candle lighting	7:14 P
Minchah/Kabbalas Shabbos/Maariv	7:15 P

### Shabbos, April 7th (22nd Nisan) Pesach 8

Shachris	8:30 A
Yizkor	≈10:30 A
Children's End-of-Pesach Playtime	4:00 P
Women's Neilas Hachag @ Habers'	5:30 P
Daf Yomi	5:45 P
Minchah	7:00 P
Seudah Shelishis/Neilas Hachag	
Maariv/Havdala	8:12 P

### Sunday, April 8th (23rd Nisan)

Daf Yomi	7:00 A
Shachris	8:00 A
Mincha/Maariv	7:20 P

# Schedule through April 13th

## Monday, April 9th (24th Nisan)

Daf Yomi	6:00 A
Shachris	6:45 A
Pirkei Avos with Rabbi Haber at JCC	12:00 N
Mincha /Maariv	7:20 P
Partners in Torah (JCC)	8:00 P

## Tuesday, April 10th (25th Nisan)

Daf Yomi	6:00 A
Shachris	7:00 A
Tomer Devora class	12:00 N
Mincha/Maariv	7:20 P

## Wednesday, April 11th (26th Nisan)

Daf Yomi	6:00 A
Shachris	7:00 A
Mincha / Maariv	7:20 P

## Thursday, April 12th (27th Nisan)

Daf Yomi	6:00 A
Shachris	6:45 A
Mincha / Maariv	7:20 P

## Friday, April 13th (28th Nisan)

Daf Yomi	6:00 A
Shachris	7:00 A
Candle Lighting	7:00 P*
Mincha	7:00 P

**From April 13th through September 14th we will making an early Shabbos with Mincha at 7:00 PM. Candle lighting will be at 7:00 PM, and no later than 7:20 PM**

## CLASSES FOR EVERYONE

### DAF YOMI

**Morning Class:** Sundays at 7:00 AM, weekdays at 6:00 AM  
with Rabbi Loiterman

**Evening Class:** Sunday through Thursday after Late Ma'ariv

**Shabbos & Yom Tov:** both classes meet together one hour before Mincha with Rabbi Loiterman

### BNOS

*Shabbos Afternoon 3:15 PM - 4:15 PM*

For girls from Kindergarten to 6th Grade in the Fred Aron Education Wing. *Next Bnos: Shabbos, April 14th*

### SHABBOS LEARNING FOR BOYS

Grades 5th - 8th: Mishnayos class with Rabbi Harpaz at shul 30 minutes before Mincha

Grades 1st - 4th Parsha with Rabbi Lipman at shul 30 minutes before Mincha

### PARTNERS IN TORAH

*Mondays from 8:00 PM to 9:00 PM—hiatus until after Pesach*

Meets at the JCC in Room 238

### KOLLEL NIGHT SEDER FOR MEN

Sundays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Thursdays following the Late Maariv

Held in the Bnai Israel Minyan Room.

Includes: Rabbi Goder Open Beis Medrash Learning Night

### WOMEN'S TUESDAY NOON LEARNING CLASS

The sefer Tomer Devorah is being studied.

### TALMUD CLASS - 75 minutes before Mincha

*Tuesday evenings: With Gershon Aronoff - Avoda Zara.*

## SISTERHOOD FLOWER FUND

The Sisterhood provides fresh flowers for the Bimah for every Yom Tov & other services for the shul. Contributions to the Bnai Israel Sisterhood "flower fund" can be mailed to Irene Mazel or Frances Berger.

## THE MOSAICA HAGADA BY RABBI SENDER HABER

*Available NOW from Rabbi Haber or in the Bnai Israel Office for only \$20.00*

Join Rabbi Sender and Chamie Haber and their charming family at their Pesach Seder and experience this wondrous night with this most special educational Hagada. The Hagada is available in the Bnai Israel office for \$20.00.

## HARRIS TEETER

As a community, we have come to rely on Farm Fresh on West 21st Street for our local kosher food purveyor. Now that the Farm Fresh has been sold to Harris Teeter, we have to speak up and let Harris Teeter know that we cherished the Kosher section in Farm Fresh and that we would like them to continue it. The more people who contact Harris Teeter's corporate offices, the more powerful is our collective voice. There are three ways you contact them:

**Online:** <https://www.harristeeter.com/contact-us/contact-us-form>

**By Phone:** 800-432-6111, option 2

**Mail:** Harris Teeter Inc., Attn: Customer Relations, PO Box 10100, Matthews, NC 28106-0100

This approach has been effective in other locations and we appreciate your help in this matter. Also, if you do hear from them, continue the correspondence so that they know it's a true concern on our part.

## PIRKEI AVOS LUNCH & LEARN AT THE JCC WITH RABBI HABER

*Wednesdays 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm: 4/9, 4/16, 4/23, 4/30, 5/7, 5/14*

Topic: "An Historical, Philosophical, and Mystical Perspective on the Ethics of the Fathers"  
Come and learn what the Ethics of the Fathers is and what its meaning is for us today.

## YOM HASHOAH

*April 11 | 6:45pm at Beth El Congregation*

Yom Hashoah, Holocaust Remembrance Day, is a commemorative program celebrating the power of the human spirit and the enduring faith of those who witnessed and survived the Holocaust. It honors the survivors, liberators, and righteous gentiles who reside in Hampton Roads, as well as the memory of the victims. For more information please see:  
<http://jewishva.org/holocaust-yom-hashoah>

## ISRAELFEST - ISRAEL AT 70

*Sunday, April 22nd from 11:00 am to 4:00 pm at the Simon Family JCC*

Experience Israel through art, education, culture, food and entertainment with activities for all ages! Listen, dance, and learn with Israeli DJ Eyal Rob, co-founder of Israel's first music television channel, Israeli journalist and culture critic as he shares tunes from Israel's past 70 years!

Bnai Israel will, once again, be having a booth at the festival. It is being organized by Chava Goldberg - but she needs help. Please contact her if you are able to help.

## **JFS RUN, WALK**

*Sunday, May 6th*

Mark your calendars for this annual event.

### **A SPECIAL OPPORTUNITY**

This is a project which began in Bnai Israel!

We are excited to inform you that Dr. Michael Weissman and Rabbi Mordechai Wecker are co-authors of a soon-to-be published book!

The book is entitled, "Real Torah /Real Life," and follows the following format: Dr. Weissman culled case studies from his 40 years of clinical psychology practice (carefully obscuring the identity of the participants, of course) that illustrate the application of Torah principles to the psychotherapy process.

Rabbi Wecker will provide the halachic and/or hashkafic (Jewish philosophical) background with more than thirty Divrei Torah. The Book is intended to provide a comprehensive treatment of the integration of psychotherapy and Torah in the service of helping people who struggle with personal and relationship problems to resolve their life challenges and to help them improve the quality of their lives.

The book has been approved for publication by Mosaica Press in Israel, and the text is being edited now.

Sponsorship opportunities are available. If you are interested in being a sponsor, please contact Rabbi Wecker.

## Thank You to our Contributors

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To Alan H. Kurzer for his contribution to the Bnai Israel Cemetery Fund in memory of his aunt, Bella Kurzer.

## For the Week of Shabbos, March 31st through Friday, April 13th

### BIRTHDAYS

Michael Ashe	3/31	Michael Brooke	21st	4/4	Mendel Weinreb	14th	4/12
Cantor Elihu Flax	3/31	Susan Wilson		4/6	Trudy Dayanim		4/13
Yehudis Lipman	6th	Rabbi Shmuel Katz		4/7	Gershon Yosef Rothman		4/13
Sarah Zedd	4/1	Yitzi Katz	4th	4/7	Rena Rudin	4th	4/13
Rick Siegel	4/3	Nancy Berman		4/8			
Isaac Brooke	21st	Louis Schlain		4/11			

### ANNIVERSARIES

Mr. & Mrs. Michael Mostofsky 13th 4/10

Mr. Jason & Dr. Alison Ohana 10th 4/13

### YAHRTZEITS

Daniel Goldstein	3/31	Solomon Tasgal	4/3	Annie Minnie Salber	4/8	Albert Benn	4/12
David Kruger	4/1	Earnestine Aschkenas	4/4	Sylvia Glick	4/9	Lotte Japha	4/12
Harry L. Fine	4/2	Bella Kurzer	4/5	Rae Rines	4/9	Charlotte Kaufman	4/12
Harriet Klavan	4/2	David Schwartz	4/5	Hilda Sacks	4/9	Adolph Blumenthal	4/13
Fannie Schlain	4/2	Guerte Barban	4/6	Menachem Carroll	4/10	Eliyahu Lahianee	4/13
Samuel Sobel	4/2	Pasha Putterman	4/6	Helen Epner Lapping	4/10		
Esther Aschkenas	4/3	Sol Goldblatt	4/7	Arthur Rines	4/10		
Mina Caplan	4/3	Jennie Chalem	4/8	Gladys Sturman	4/11		

### REFUAH SHELAIMA

Women		Men	
Shoshana bas Miriam	Chaya bas Ruchel	Shalom Boruch ben Masha	Pesach ben Baila
Vittel Zilke bas Leah	Sheva bas Rivka	Yehuda ben Chasha Ruchel	Rachmiel Leib ben Mordechai HaLevi
Leah Adina bas Chaya Esther	Chaya Ruchel bas Zelda	Moshe Yechezkel Halevi ben Sara Malka	Chaim Rafael Yoel ben Shayna Golda
Yochana bas Chana	Shira bas Sarah	Reuven Simcha ben Naomi Rus	Daniel Yosef ben Miriam
Nava bas Fruma Leah	Nechama Getzel bas Rachel	Yonah Michael Alter ben Esther Sarah	Moshe Yosef ben Esther
Basha Leiba bas Baila Fruma	Ruchama Malka Briendel bas Shaina Shifra	Aryeh Nachman HaCohen ben Ita	Reuven HaCohen ben Sarah
Simcha bas Tzipporah	Miriam bas Chava	David Shlomo ben Rivka Tehilla	Eitan Shmuel bas Chana Leah
Malka Esther bas Devorah	Rivka bas Chaya Ruchel	Koppel ben Bayla	Eliezer Yehuda ben Chana Shaindel
Devorah bas Ruchel	Rivka bas Yocheved	Abraham ben Iza	Yisroel Shmuel ben Sarah
Sara Bas Sara	Tzippora Aviva bas Rivka	Yoel Meir ben Chaya	Chaim Shmuel ben Rivka
Miriam Rochel bas Chava Elisheva	Raizel Shoshana bas Faiga Leah	Yehudah Ben Batya	Eliyahu Aron ben Hudel
Kayla Dodie bas Rochel Bracha	Orly Rachel Bat Yehudit Rus	Rafael Messod ben Naomi Sarah	Sholom Yehuda ben Fayga
Rochel Bracha bas Baila	Tye Miriam bas Zehavit	Eliezer ben Sara	Tinok ben Rochel
Tirtze Sorah bas Rochel Bracha	Yehudis Sima bas Alta Ruchel	Avraham Beryl HaLevi ben Miriam	Shlomo Yoel ben Chaya Leah
Rivka Tehillah bas Sarah	Chana Rochel bas Sara	Yissachar ben Rachel	Chanina Getzl ben Chana Fradel
Shula bas Carmela	Chana Bracha bas Sara	Binyamin Leib ben Rachel Chana	Meyer Yisroel Hirsch ben Zahava Zippora
Eliana Chaya bas Nacha	Arielle Mazal Tov bas Eliane	Zecharia Avraham ben Devorah Rivka	Shlomo ben Na'ami
Adi Simcha bas Penina Leah	Sara bat Zipporah	Nosson Yitzhak Ben Leah	Eliyahu Yaakov ben Sarah Roiza
Aida Batya bas Etta	Devora Faiga bas Malka	Moshe ben Raizel	Yitzhak Mordechai ben Yehudis Sima
Chaya Tova Gittel bas Shulamis Sima	Shoshana Aliza bas Aviva Michal	Eliezer ben Penina Kaila	Chaim bas Shifra
Chana Yitta bas Bryna	Miriam Chava Chana Devora bas Shaindel Chaya Rivka	Meir Yehoshua ben Penina Kaila	Dovid Avraham HaCohen ben Libby Yeshia
Bayla Mishka bas Devora	Batya Pia bas Chaya Ruchel	Beryl ben Chava	Yehudah Leib ben Lenora Daniella
Malka Chana bas Ruchel	Miriel bas Ida Hudya	Shmuel Yeruchem ben Baila	Yosef Tzvi ben Rochel Pessil
Miriam bas Tzipora	Esther bas Ruth	Yehoshua ben Nechama Aliza	Chaim Yaakov ben Avigail Dovid
Chaya Raizel bas Dena	Rachel Chana bas Shulamet Itel	Menachem ben Tzipka	Moshe Yosef ben Esther
Chana bas Sarah		Avraham ben Chana	
Adi Bat Miriam		Asher Eliyahu ben Leah	
		Akiva Hillel Ben Cooki Tziporah Feige Gittel	
		Yehuda Herschel ben Chaya Leah	
		Dovid Leshem ben Esther	
		Abba ben Tzipora	

## THE B'NAI ISRAEL CALENDAR AT A GLANCE

### **Week of March 25th through March 31st**

**Friday, March 30th:** Erev Pesach - Last time to eat Chometz (10:41 AM) & Last time to burn Chometz (11:55 AM)

**Shabbos, March 31st:** First day of Pesach

### **Week of April 1st through April 7th**

**Sunday, April 1st through April 7th:** Pesach

**Wednesday, April 4th (Chol HaMoed Pesach):** Bar Mitzva of Osher Hilel in Miami

**Shabbos, April 7th:** Shalosh Seudos / Neilas HaChag at Bnai Israel

### **Week of April 8th through April 14th**

**Monday, April 9th:** Rabbi Haber starting a Pirkei Avos class at the JCC on Mondays at noon (continues on Mondays until May 14th)

**Wednesday, April 11th:** Yom HaShoah program at Congregation Beth El

**Shabbos, April 14th:** Bar Mitzva of Zev-Adi Goldberg at Bnai Israel.

**Shabbos, April 14th:** Kiddush in honor of the Bar Mitzvah of Zev-Adi Goldberg

**Shabbos, April 14th:** Shalosh Seudos by Kevin & Amy Lefcoe in memory of Kevin's mother, Mavolyn Lefcoe

### **Week of April 15th through April 21st**

**Sunday, April 15th:** Rosh Chodesh Iyar (Day 1)

**Monday, April 16th:** Rosh Chodesh Iyar (Day 2)

### **Week of April 22nd through April 28th**

**Sunday, April 22:** IsraelFest at the JCC from 11:00 am till 4:00 PM

### **Week of April 29th through May 5th**

**Thursday, May 3rd:** Lag B'Omer

**Shabbos, May 5th:** Bar Mitzva of Avraham Rothman at Bnai Israel

## **A Rose by another Name**

Throughout the Song of Songs, King Solomon compares the Jewish people to a rose. We are the Chavatzeles of the Sharon and the Shoshanah of the Valleys. A Chavatzeles is an underdeveloped bulb while a Shoshana is a fully developed rose, vibrant in all of its glory.

According to the American Rose Society, the rose market as we know it underwent a significant change in 1867. The French developed a rose which they named "La France" and from that time on genetically altered roses became very popular. The roses that are mass produced and sold in grocery stores are generally modern roses.

The main difference between a modern rose and an Old Garden Rose (which you can still get) is that the modern roses are weak and highly dependent on Sunlight. They also die quickly. Old World Roses need far less sunlight. As a result they have a richer color and they fade far slower than modern roses. Old World Roses are tough.

The Vilna Gaon explains that the Jewish people are Old World Roses. We thrive in the shade. Our natural colors emerge and our scent is more pungent than that of any other rose. We are the Shoshana of the Valleys.

When we were slaves in Egypt we were so choked and burdened and malnourished that even we couldn't sprout at all.

Even before we were fully freed, we celebrated the first Pesach in the Egyptian city of Ramesses. We didn't need to go to Eretz Yisroel or even to leave Egypt. All we needed was a little bit of sunlight and we were able to shine right there in the darkness of Egypt.

After we left Egypt we often found ourselves over exposed to the elements. Too much sunlight for an Old World Rose. Our unique qualities began to fade and we weren't quite as fragrant.

In Shir Hashirim we remind Hashem that we are the most beautiful, strong, vibrant roses that exist. We may look awful, faded and windblown, but our DNA has not changed.

Just as we recovered quickly from the darkness of Egypt and immediately sprouted into a beautiful rose, we remind Hashem that we will do the same if he will take us now, in our faded glory and replant us in our perfect valley.

The Beis Halevi points out that so many habits need to be broken over time. Nations take centuries to change. Somehow, the Jewish people have historically been able to attain immediate holiness. This is because holiness has been a part of us all along.

So many of us aren't perfect. Deep inside we want to improve but we are so entrenched in our surroundings, our habits and our relationships that we can't just change.

Sometimes we are starved for sunlight; sometimes we have too much. Still, our basic DNA will never change. Put us in the perfect environment and we will immediately blossom into the beautiful Shoshana that we have always been.