# KJ Happenings

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## **Weekly Schedule**

Kids Club, Sunday@10am
Zoom ID 868 9047 0888

Torah Reading: Re'eh

Devarim 11:26 - 16:17

**3rd Haftara of Consolation** 

Isaiah 54:11-55:5

Candle lighting Fri 8/14, 7:23 pm

Havdala Sat 8/15, 8:19 pm

#### **ROSH HODESH ELUL**

A new Jewish month begins Erev Rosh Hodesh Wed 8/19 Rosh Hodesh Th-Fr 8/21-22

**Click HERE for Rosh Hodesh Prayer** 

For information about KJ's Norma & Sam Dabby Talmud Torah & registration for next year <u>Click HERE</u> to contact Molly

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<u>Sarah</u>.

### **Jewish Resources**

- Parasha with Rabbi Sacks
- Chabad Kids Parasha
- Parasha with Bim Bam
- Parasha at Bar Ilan University
- Sephardic Digital Academy

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# Rabbi's Message

by Rabbi Natan Halevy BSD

Shalom,

In this week's Parasha, one of life's greatest challenges which we face is delved into. The dilemma of good and evil.



Hashem says, "See I have set before you the blessing and the curse, The blessing, that you will heed the commandments of the Lord your God, which I command you today; And the curse, if you will not heed the commandments of the Lord your God, but turn away from the way I command you this day."

The relevance of this teaching in our time is astounding. Due to the unfolding of the Covid situation, many feel powerless because of all of the restrictions and limitations which have been imposed on our normal way of life. A lot of the things we were accustomed to are simply no longer available. This creates a feeling of restriction and helplessness.

In this week portion, the Torah tells us that we always have a choice when it comes to our perception. Through our choices, power is in our hands to direct the flow of our lives. We can choose to pursue the positive—mitzvot, good deeds, and kindness, or we can choose differently.

For example, how are we choosing to perceive things? What are we doing about these perceptions—our perceptions? These decisions are in our power. Our lives are an experiential journey. Life is both objective and subjective. There is a fine dichotomy of what is within our power and what is out of our hands. There is a symbiotic relationship between all elements, in which we hold much influence and sway.

The Torah gives us a simple formula, the powerful principle of learning to look for the good and blessing in all situations. Then we can commit ourselves to the highest good at all times.

We must do what is in our power and in our ability to improve each situation.

# **Shabbat Learning & Melodies at Kahal**

with Rabbi Natan Halevy and Hazzan Saeed Jalali



Torah Learning--Re'eh with Rabbi Halevy







<u>Third Haftara of Consolation</u> <u>with Hazzan Jalali</u>

KJ Kids Club for Re'eh with Bracha & Rabbi Halevy, 8/9



# **KJ Upcoming Events**

# The Essence of the Month of Elul

Wed 8/19@ 8:30 pm with Bracha Halevy



Join our community on Sunday, August 16th for the next KJ Kids Club with Bracha and Rabbi Halevy!



# A Prayer for Rosh Hodesh, the New Jewish Month

## A Hachrazat Rosh Hodesh (Announcing the Festival of the New Moon) 🦟

On the Shabbat preceding each Rosh Hodesh (the Festival of the New Moon)-including the Shabbat before Rosh Hodesh Ay, but excluding the Shabbat before Rosh Hodesh Tishre (which is the Shabbat before Rosh Hashanah)—Hachrazat Rosh Hodesh is said. In some congregations, Hachrazat Rosh Hodesh is said before the Torah is taken out of the Ark (see page 424).

It is preferable to know the molad (the precise time of the renewal of the moon in Jerusalem). In some congregations the molad is announced at this point; in others, it is announced later

May it be the will of God of the heavens יָהִי רָצוֹן מִלְפְנֵי אֱלֹהֵי הַשְּׁמֵיִם, to establish the House of our Life,66

speedily in our days; בְּמְהֵרָה בְיָמֵינוּ,

and say, Amen. אמרו אמו

May it be the will of God of the heavens יהי רצון מלפני אלהי השמים, to take pity upon our remnant לרחם על פּליטתנו,

and to withhold plague, ולעצר המנפה,

famine, captivity and pillage יְהֶרֶעֶב, וְהַשְּׁבִי, וְהַבְּזָה,

from us and from His people, Israel; מעלינו ומעל עמו ישראל,

and say, Amen.

לכונן את־בית חַיֵינוּ,

and to return His Divine Presence to it לתובו,

ruin, sword, וְהַחֵּלֵב,

ואמרו אמן:



#### **Refuah Shelema**

Sassoon Ezra

Sally Amron

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Miryam bat Malka

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Eliahu Shalom ben Avigayil

Ezra ben Rahel

Albert Nissan ben Victoria

Mark Jonah

Reuven Halevi ben Batsheva

David ben Tova

Joseph Sassoon

Yosef Haim ben Aharon Elisha

Odette bat Louise

Dina bat Simha / Diana Solomon

Rachel Bakhash / Rahel bat Dina

We remember these yahrzeit anniversaries from August 15th to 22nd 2020. We light memorial candles, donate tsedaka, and attend Shabbat services to honor the memory of our loved ones.

25 Av / Shabbat, August 15th

Matty Yaqub Simha bat Sulha Mitana

27 Av / Monday, August 17th

Lulu bat Shereen

28 Av / Tuesday, August 18th

Goel Berookhim Goel ben Yitzhak Malka Isaac Malka bat Rivka

29 Av / Wednesday, August 19th

Rebecca Shamash Rivke bat Sarah

30 Av / Thursday, August 20th

Maureen Murad

Israel Messiah Israel ben Mashiach

1 Elul / Friday, August 21st

Nissim Moses Nissim ben Yoshua Efraim Yosef Sawdayi Yosef ben Meir

2 Elul / Shabbat, August 22nd

Charles Mussry Charles ben Yaacov Saleh Saltanat Kohan Saltanat bat Avraham

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