

KJ Happenings

25 Tevet 5781 | 9 January 2021

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Weekly Schedule

PARASHAT SHEMOT

[Shemot 1:1 - 6:1](#)

[Haftara, Yehezkel 16:1 -13](#)

[Yishayahu 47:4](#)

*We now say Barekh Alenu in the Amidah.
This Shabbat we bless the new Jewish
month of Shevat.*

EREV SHABBAT

Friday 1/8

Candle Lighting 4:42 pm

Minha & Arvit – at Home

SHABBAT

Saturday 1/9

Shaharit & Musaf - at Home

Birkat Hahodesh

Minha, Seuda & Arvit - at Home

Havdallah 5:47 pm

WEEKDAYS

[KJ Tehillim for Healing](#)

w/Rabbi Halevy

Wed 1/13@ 11am

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3460303686>

Sunday-Friday

Shaharit – at Home

Minha & Arvit - at Home

Rosh Hodesh Shevat

Thursday, 1/14

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Rabbi's Message

by Rabbi Natan Halevy
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Shalom U'vracha,

We begin the book of Exodus in this week's Parasha. We relive the story of our nation in Egypt. This is a familiar lesson for us. We have encountered many 'Pharaohs,' in many different lands on our journey as a nation. We've been through many ordeals that have tested us and literally brought us to our knees. Yet we have been able to overcome these numerous challenges and grow from them. We have thrived amid the chaos and destruction which we've constantly faced. We re-experience this cycle of descending and ascending yearly during Passover. This strengthens us in our mission in our daily lives.

The Torah hints at this pattern of challenge and strengthening through the naming of Jacob's sons who are in Egypt at the beginning of the Parasha. Retelling this appears superfluous as we know their names already. However, naming the tribes here hints at the spiritual efforts necessary to fulfill their mission in Egypt. As the Torah describes their return to Egypt after they have buried Jacob in Israel, we learn that they reached a very high spiritual level while in the holy land. The divine presence attended them in a powerful manner. And, they could have chosen to remain there, in the holiness of Israel, basking in their lofty, spiritual elevation. Yet they chose to come back to Egypt, a land of deprivation.

Jacob's sons knew that our nation had a spiritual mission to accomplish in exile. Being in Egypt gave them an opportunity to refine and elevate the spiritual energy in Egypt. This is also the reason our nation has been in many lands throughout history. By striving to live a life of holiness and meaning, we have the opportunity to refine and elevate spiritual energy, while also revealing light and bringing meaning to many places.

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KJ Learning & Shabbat Melodies



[Rabbi Halevy's Shabbat Message](#)



Shemot 1, Hazzan Saeed Jalali



Haftarat Shemot, Hazzan Jalali



Tehillim 122, Hazzan Saeed Jalali



Tehillim 123, Hazzan Saeed Jalali

Help in Troubled Times

Dear community,

In these challenging and sometimes difficult times, Rabbi Halevy is available to listen, offer spiritual counseling and helpful resources. [Click here to send him a message.](#)

Wishing you peace, health, and sustenance,

Board of Directors

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The Babylonian Jewish Center and the Spanish & Portuguese Synagogue present
Life as a Jewish Member of Parliament in Bahrain
Sunday, January 10th at 9:00 am PST



Life as a Jewish Member of Parliament In Bahrain

H.E. Nancy Dinah Elly Khedouri

Sunday, January 10th, 2021

Zoom ID 854 3687 7450 PASSWORD 165893



Nancy is a Bahraini of the Jewish faith and is a former Graduate of The Sacred Heart School, Kingdom of Bahrain. Her Academic Honours includes FIRST Rank at The Sacred Heart School in English Literature Research and many other School Projects, FIRST Rank in Manama ToastMasters Competition, securing the Trophy for her School. She was awarded Certificate of Achievement of National Excellence at The Mount School, London, U.K. and awarded many Certificates of Good Conduct, Certificates of Honour and Excellence in the activities throughout academic years in The Kingdom of Bahrain and The United Kingdom.

Nancy holds a Bachelor of Law Degree (LL.B. Hons.) from London, U.K. and is also an Author of a Book that outlines the History of the Jewish community of Bahrain, entitled, "From Our Beginning To Present Day."

Nancy was appointed by His Majesty in Year 2010 to serve as a Member of The Shura (Consultative) Council and was re-appointed during Year 2014 and Year 2018, where she continues to serve in The Foreign Affairs, Defence and National Security Committee and was also elected unopposed on more than one occasion to serve as its Deputy Chairperson. Currently, she continues to serve in two Committees, the other being The Youth Affairs Committee for which she is Deputy Chairperson.

Nancy was also appointed as a Member of The Coordination Committee of The Supreme Council for Women for Downstreaming Women's Needs into the Economic Development of Society. She was also appointed as a Member of The Supreme Coordination Council for Inter-Civilization Dialogue which coordinated for The Inter-Civilization Conference, "All Civilizations in Service of Humanity," which was under the Patronage of His Majesty King Hamad Bin Essa Al Khalifa.

Nancy served on a Voluntary basis as Head of Administration at The Bahrain-Japan Business and Friendship Society (BJBFS) since it was Founded and assisted in supervising a special Commemorative Book published by the Society, entitled, "Bahrain & Japan: Decades of Friendship," which commemorated at the time, forty years of Diplomatic Relations between the two countries.

Nancy also assisted the Bahraini Screen-Writers of the groundbreaking Ramadhan Series, "Um-Haron" which was a product of regional collaboration, the film's brain-trust consisted of Kuwaiti Producers and Multiple GCC Cast. It was about the social cohesion between people of all faiths during the 1940s in the Gulf region. The leading heroine in the series was based on a real life Bahraini Midwife mentioned in her Book, mixed with the vivid imagination of the Script writers. Nancy guided the Cast who played the Jewish characters, supervising content of the script which contained Jewish Prayers and supervised the Scenes that documented Jewish Festivals, Culture and Tradition, guiding them all as to the correct pronunciation of the Prayers and other matters related to certain aspects of the scenes. Nancy was thrilled that the Series was Year 2020 honoree of The 8th Annual America Abroad Media (AAM) Awards Event in Washington DC, as it valuably spread the message of coexistence and moderation.

Since many years Nancy enjoys Association Membership with The Bahrain-British Business Forum (BBBF) and with The Bahrain Historical & Archaeological Society. During her free time, she also takes great pride in spending time with Children suffering from the challenges of disability and actively supports the annual Children's Summer Camp of "Bahrain For All."

Nancy continues to actively contribute to the Society. She is regularly invited to participate as a Guest-Speaker on various Topics about the Kingdom of Bahrain at Key-Events hosted locally and abroad. She takes great pride in representing her precious Homeland and in enlightening others by sharing a well-rounded perspective as to the Peaceful Coexistence.

General Interest includes Travel and Tourism, Learning Languages, Music, Playing Piano, Sport, Reading, Writing, History, Stamp-Collecting, Ballroom Dancing, Theatre and The Arts.

Click to join Zoom Sun 1/10@9am



Refuah Shelema

Michael Amron
Gabriel Naghdi / Gavriel ben Rahel
Ezra ben Farha
Sassoon Ezra
Sally Amron
Sylvia Cohen
Mehry bat Miriam Hakimpour

In Memoriam

We remember these yahrzeit anniversaries from January 9th to 16th 2021. We light memorial candles, donate tsedaka, & attend Shabbat services to honor the memory of our loved ones.

26 Tevet / Sunday, January 10th
RonnyAssia Ronnie ben Naji

27 Tevet / Monday, January 11th
Sassoon Elias

Tilda Levy
 Yvonne Moalim
 Florice Newberry
 Aliza bat Rahel
 Aliza bat Victoria
 Chaya Chana bat Batya
 Katie bat Farha
 Miriam bat Yetta
 Miryam bat Malka
 Moshe Ezra ben Mazal Tov
 Chaya Rachel bat Simcha Ruhama
 Dina bat Rahel
 Rahel bat Ramah Regina
 Karen bat Chana Meir
 Eti Esther bat Fortuna
 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 Bakhsh / Rahel bat Dina
 Fouad Salem / Hayeem ben Naima

Stanley Feinberg Stanley ben Jesse

28 Tevet / Tuesday, January 12th
 Aziza bat Amam
 Maurice Zekaria Moshe ben Seon
 Edmond Sayers Ezra Moshe ben Moshe Hai Ezra

29 Tevet / Wednesday, January 13th
 Mollie Einy Konigsberg Mazal tov bat Masooda

1 Shevat / Thursday, January 14th
 Mozelle Solomon Mozly bat Haviva

2 Shevat / Friday, January 15th
 Joseph Haghighi Yosef ben Ezra
 Mahboobeh Haykani
 Samuel Sheff Shlomo ben Baruch
 Albert Zekaria Abdullah ben Seon
 Eddy Sassoon Ezra Meyer ben Binyamin

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