

KJ Happenings

15 Adar 5781 | 27 February 2021

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Weekly Schedule

PARASHAT TETZAVEH

[Shemot 27:20 - 30:10](#)

[Haftara, Yehezkel 43:10 - 27](#)

EREV SHABBAT

Friday 2/26

Candle Lighting 5:28 pm

Minha & Arvit – at Home

SHABBAT

Saturday 2/27

Shaharit & Musaf - at Home

Minha, Seuda & Arvit - at Home

Havdallah 6:33 pm

WEEKDAYS

Sunday-Friday

Shaharit – at Home

Minha & Arvit - at Home

SHUSHAN PURIM

15th of Adar

Membership & Sponsorship

To sponsor an event or become a member contact our office. Call 310.474.0559 or [click here to email Sarah](#).

**AMAZON SMILE for
Kahal**

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Joseph**

Rabbi's Message

Shalom Uvracha,

This year we celebrate Purim going into Shabbat. Why is the celebration of this holiday, including the reading of the Megillah, so important? So much so that we are supposed to listen to every word of the Megillah reading and in Hebrew!



Why do we accord such honor to Esther and Mordechai? And such disgrace to Haman? And why, with an important character like the mighty King Achashverosh, is there a certain ambiguity regarding our attitude towards him?

The Talmud recounts a discussion regarding the veracity of the Purim story and why it became part of the Torah. "From where do we know that Megillat Esther is from the Torah? As stated in Deuteronomy 31:18, 'And I will hide My face on that day,' etc." The word 'hide' in Hebrew is related to the name Esther. Purim's essence is revealing light in times of strong concealment.

The megillah reads like a play with villains, heroes, and other witting and unwitting characters who all have a special role. Purim was a difficult period in history for our nation. It was sometime after the destruction of the First Temple, after the entire nation had been forcibly exiled from Israel. It was a challenging time in both the physical and spiritual sense. Some in the nation felt as if Hashem had abandoned us.

And then, along came Haman, a deluded egomaniac who considered himself to be a deity. He was a descendant of Amalek royalty, and he was wholly devoted to his hatred for our nation. Mordechai's refusal to bow down to Haman enraged him so much that he wanted to exterminate all of Israel--men, women, and children; young and old.

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Kahal Joseph Congregation
Shabbat Morning Services
Pre-Registration Required

Starting March 6th!

9 am to 11 am in person

MAX CAPACITY 50

*Only the first fifty members who arrive and who have already pre-registered
will be admitted to the synagogue on Shabbat morning.*

[Click HERE to Pre-Register](#)

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Thank You

Rabbi Natan & Bracha Halevy and Mrs. Perla Cegla
for preparing and delivering the beautiful Purim baskets and children's treats.
They brought lots of smiles to so many in our community.

We look forward to celebrating Purim together at Kahal Joseph next year!

KJ Shabbat Learning & Melodies





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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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Refuah Shelema

Gabriel Naghdi / Gavriel ben Rahel
Ezra ben Farha

In Memoriam

We remember these yahrzeit anniversaries from February 27th to March 6th 2021. We light memorial candles, donate tzedaka, & attend Shabbat services to honor the memory of our loved ones.

Sassoon Ezra
Sylvia Cohen
Mehry bat Miriam Hakimpour
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
Odette bat Louise
Dina bat Simha / Diana Solomon
Rachel Bakhsh / Rahel bat Dina
Fouad Salem / Hayeem ben Naima

15 Adar / Shabbat, February 27th
Nuriel Daizadeh Nuriel ben Yochanan
Jack Jacob Meir ben Yaacov
Vera Rosenfeld Vera bat Hannah Hatoun

16 Adar / Sunday, February 28th
Farha Nakar Farha bat Gordjia

18 Adar / Sunday, March 2nd
Efraim ben Simcha

Naim Moshi Naim ben Yehoshua
Nazay Radfar Nazeh bat Nisan

19 Adar / Wednesday, March 3rd
Eliyahu Sasson Samuel Eliyahu ben Sasson
Charles Eric Ezekiel Saleh ben Ezra Yehezkel
Bertha Rahamim Bertha bat Sabiha

20 Adar / Thursday, March 4th
Edward Wyner Itzhak ben Simha
Amin Nahai Yitzhak ben Aghajan
Victoria Simanian Miriam bat Ester
Yona Radfar Yona ben Shlomo

21 Adar / Friday, March 5th
Gershoon Doustar
Itzhak Rahmin Itzhak Rahmin ben Pinhas

22 Adar / Shabbat, March 6th
Julian Elias

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