

# KJ Happenings

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## Weekly Schedule

PARASHAT AHARE MOT KEDOSHIM

[Vayikra 16:1 to 20:27](#)

[Haftara Yehezkel 20:2-20](#)

### EREV SHABBAT

*Friday, April 23rd*

Candle Lighting 7:12 pm

Minha & Arvit – at Home

27th Night of Omer

### SHABBAT

*Saturday, April 24th*

Shaharit at KJ! 9:00 am

*(First 50 pre-registered members arriving may attend)*

Minha, Seuda, Arvit at Home

Havdallah 8:17 pm

28th Night of Omer

### WEEKDAYS

*Sun-Fri, April 25-30*

Shaharit, Minha & Arvit at Home

29th to 24th Nights of Omer

### KJ Lag BaOmer

**Community Picnic**

**at Holmby Park**

**Thu 4/29@4PM**

[Click here to RSVP](#)

*Pesah Shenit, Mon 4/26*

*Lag BaOmer, Fri 4/30*



## Rabbi's Message



Rabbi Natan Halevy  
Bsd

Shalom Uvracha,

This week we read a double Parasha, Ahare Mot - Kedoshim. We read these

Torah portions together in certain years because a connection exists between them. The first portion, Ahare Mot, references the passing of Aharon's two oldest sons. These great tzadikim passed away when they entered the Holy of Holies in an incorrect manner. Their passing greatly sanctified Hashem's name by showing how much HaShem truly values our actions and choices.

Nadav and Avihu were righteous men who had pure intentions, yet Hashem judged and corrected them. If Hashem weighed their positive actions and found them improper, how much more does he judge and seek to correct our undesirable actions? We should consider our choices and the context in which we act. A positive deed performed in its proper time is great, yet the very same action may not befit the situation at other times and may have the opposite of the intended effect. Each of our actions is real and meaningful, affecting the world and those around us.

The second part of our Parashah is Kedoshim which begins, "Speak to the entire congregation of the children of Israel, and say to them, 'You shall be holy, for I, the Lord, your God, am holy.'" The

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Midrash comments, 'We may think that Hashem's level of holiness is attainable by us. Hashem says 'my holiness is higher than your holiness.'"

However, the Torah may be expounded in many ways. By emphasizing the Hebrew words differently, this Midrash may be reinterpreted as Hashem saying, 'my holiness above, is indeed [affected and increased] by your holiness below.' The actions of Aharon's sons in the first part of this week's Torah reading show how our choices, as we strive towards holiness, matter to Hashem.

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## Shabbat Insights from Rabbi Halevy



## Shabbat Melodies with Hazzan Jalali





Click to RSVP for "Saving the Iraqi Jewish Archives"

## KJ Family Fun & Learning



## More Torah Resources

[Chabad Story for Kids](#)

[Torah Craft for Kids](#)

[Parasha for Families](#)

[Coloring Pages](#)

## UPCOMING EVENTS



### Saving the Iraqi Jewish Archives

*A Documentary by Carol Basri*

The film is free and shown as part of the Miami Jewish Film Festival.

Click the button below for more information and to view the film.





Please let us know how many people will attend!  
RSVP to Bracha 516.220.2453

**Talmud Torah**  
**Spring Zoom Session**  
**Sunday Mornings at 10 AM**  
**April 18th to June 6th**



KAHAL JOSEPH'S NORMA & SAM DABBY  
**VIRTUAL TALMUD TORAH**  
6 CLASSES, APRIL 18 TO JUNE 6

[Click to REGISTER YOUR CHILD!](#)

A photograph of several ornate, silver and gold menorahs displayed on a wooden shelf. The image is framed by a blue border with a geometric pattern.

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**ONLINE PRE-REGISTRATION  
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SHABBAT & HOLIDAY PRAYER  
SERVICES WITH RABBI NATAN HALEVY**

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*First 50 pre-registered members who arrive will be admitted.*  
MAX CAPACITY 50 PEOPLE

[Click HERE to Pre-Register](#)



# Last Chance for Raffle Tickets!

Drawing Thursday, April 29th



## KAWAI PIANO RAFFLE

LAG BA'OMER  
VIRTUAL  
DRAWING

TICKETS \$50

*Proceeds assist in  
supporting our  
Norma & Sam Dabby  
Talmud Torah  
&  
KJ Online Education  
for Adults & Kids*

**Get tickets today!  
Only 100 will be sold**

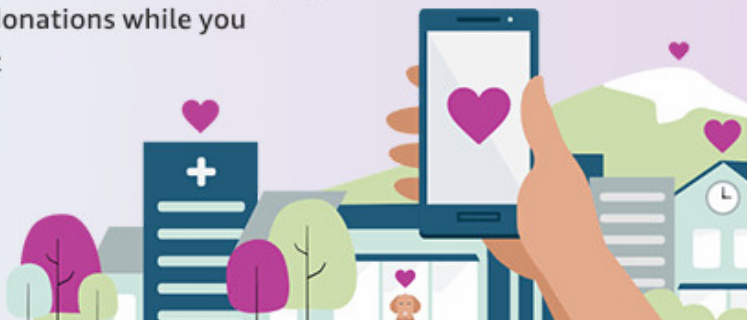
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FOR PICKUP

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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  
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Miryam bat Malka  
Moshe Ezra ben Mazal Tov  
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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 Bakhash / Rahel bat Dina  
Fouad Salem / Hayeem ben Naima  
Noach Yaakov ben Tzipporah  
Ori ben Nuphar Chaia

### In Memoriam

*We remember these yahrzeit anniversaries from April 24th to May 1st 2021. We light memorial candles, donate tsedaka, & attend Shabbat services to honor the memory of our loved ones.*

#### **12 Iyar / Shabbat, April 24th**

Sarah Ephraim Sarah bat Sarah  
Molly Moses Mesuda bat Aziza  
Aaron Sasson Aharon ben Elisha  
Rabbee Shadi

#### **13 Iyar / Sunday, April 25th**

Devorah Lubovsky Devorah bat Aharon  
Joseph Robert Saul Yosef Rahamim ben Shaul  
Violet Aziza Sheeri

#### **14 Iyar / Monday, April 26th**

Sally Ekaireb Salha Matana bat Matooka  
Tala Eradat Tala bat Javaher  
Amir Ghoulia

Salman Khadoori Shaby Salman ben Kadoori

Eliyahu Hai Abraham Shamash Eliyahu Hai ben Avraham

#### **15 Iyar / Tuesday, April 27th**

Daniel Hakimipour Daniel ben Meir  
Rivka Matana bat Miriam  
Rachel Yitzhaki Rahel bat Chana

**16 Iyar / Wednesday, April 28th**

Eliza Moses Aziza bat Chana

Albert Abraham Gamal Sassoon

Joseph Yehudah Yoseph ben Yehudah

Seemah Sofaer Shemash Seemah Sofaer bat Hanna

**17 Iyar / Thursday, April 29th**

Munir Meyer Kalili Meyer ben Abraham Eliyahu

**18 Iyar / Friday, April 30th**

Rachel Judah Rachel bat Tifacha

**19 Iyar / Shabbat, May 1st**

Helen Ezra Shemtob Habiba bat Lulu

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