

KJ Happenings

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Weekly Schedule

PARASHAT NASO

[Bamidbar 4:21 to 7:89](#)

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EREV SHABBAT

Friday, May 21st

Candle Lighting 7:34 pm

Minha & Arvit – at Home

SHABBAT

Saturday, May 22nd

Shaharit at KJ! 9:00 am

Open to all! Members & friends of all ages are invited to join us.

Minha, Seuda, Arvit at Home

Havdallah 8:38 pm

Weekdays

Shaharit at KJ!

Sunday at 7:30 am

Mon-Fri at 6:30 am

Membership & Sponsorship

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



Rabbi's Message



Rabbi Natan Halevy
Bsd

Shalom Ubracha.

The Midrash, a part of the Torah that dates back

thousands of years and was compiled into books approximately 1600 years ago, makes a powerful statement: "In the future to come, the land of Israel will spread across the earth."

There are numerous explanations for this. Whenever we are exiled to a certain part of the earth, this has to do with the divine mystical concept of refining the sparks of energy found in that place that have been waiting to be elevated.

By our service of fulfilling mitzvot, learning the Torah, and living good Jewish lives, we spread holiness in all the places we live. Rabbi Nachman of Breslov states that Jewish communities increase the holiness in the places they live in. This is something that can be tangibly felt.

When we conclude our mission in a place, we may not know that we are done. Interestingly enough, it seems that the nations of these lands seem to sense when we have 'finished our jobs' throughout history across the earth. By forcing Israel out of their lands, they unintentionally help fulfill Hashem's divine intention of spreading Israel across



Shabbat Kiddush

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our dear members
Louise & David Elias

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the earth.

This phenomenon seems quite obvious when we look at the mass forced migrations of Middle Eastern and European Jewry which took place during the 20th century.

However, now we are seeing the fulfillment of the prophecy in another way. This outpouring of hate and rage towards Israel and the Jewish people in the United States and across the world is showing us how intertwined Israel and the Jewish people are. Our bond with Israel is eternal. All Bne Yisrael, all the Jewish people, are guarantors for one another.

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Thank You

To everyone who contributed to
Shavuot at Kahal Joseph!

Thank you to Rabbi and Bracha Halevi for a
beautiful Young Families Shavuot program!

More than 50 people celebrated
& attended. Thank you to all the
young families who participated.
Dairy treats and ice cream were
served & everyone had a great
time! And, thank you to Perla
Cegla and Yvette Dabby for their
help with the event.



Shabbat Melodies with Hazzan Jalali



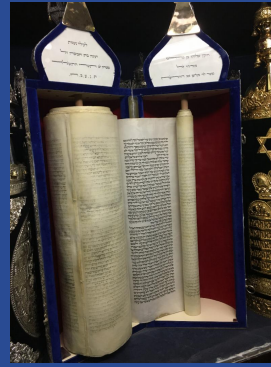
KJ Family Fun & Learning





**Mazal Tov
to Yaniv
Wozniak
on his
Bar Mitzvah**

Besiman Tov to
his parents
Ronit & Jerome
Wozniak, his
grandparents, his siblings, and his entire
family on the simha



**Mazal Tov
to Aaron
Elghanian
on his
Bar Mitzvah**

Besiman Tov to his
parents, his
grandparents, his
siblings, and his entire family on the simha



**Daily Morning
Prayer Services
Open to All
Begin May 22nd at KJ
Shabbat & Holidays 9:00 am
Sunday 7:30 am
Monday to Friday 6:30 am**

Join
Rabbi Natan Halevy
& Hazzan Saeed Jalali
at Kahal Joseph

*We invite our members
and friends of all ages to
join us daily for
morning services*

**Virtual Commemoration of the
80th Anniversary of the Farhud in Iraq
Sunday, May 30th
9:00 AM PST**

RSVP Required



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**HARIF & The Spanish & Portuguese Synagogue of Montreal
& The Community of Babylon Iraqi Jews of Montreal**

Harif
Association of Jews from the MENA

Commemoration of the 80th Anniversary of the Farhud

During two days of **unprecedented brutality over Shavu'ot 1941**, **hundreds of innocent Jews were murdered in Iraq**, with many more injured, women raped, and businesses, stores and homes looted and destroyed.

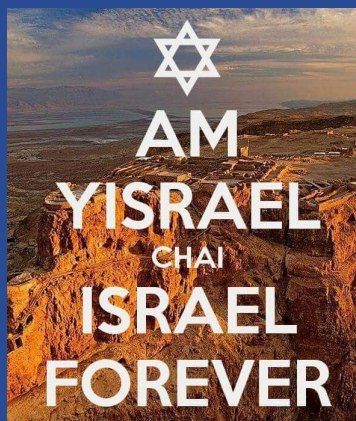
It was the beginning of the end for a community that had existed for over 2700 years, **and the first of a number of violent episodes leading to the destruction of the ancient Jewish communities of the Arab world.**

Please join us for this important **webinar** commemoration, **which** will feature the Hon. Irwin Cotler and Rabbi Joseph Dweck. Other speakers are David Khedher Basson, Cantor Daniel Benlolo, Yvonne Green, Bea Lewkowicz, Rabbi Maimon Pinto, Professor Efraim Sadka, Shimon Samuels, Yair Szlak, and Eta Yudin.

Sunday, May 30th, 2021 at 12:00 PM (EST), 17:00 (UK), 18:00 (Europe), 19:00 (Israel)



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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

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Sassoon Ezra
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Tilda Levy
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Aliza bat Victoria
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Katie bat Farha
Miriam bat Yetta
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

In Memoriam

We remember these yahrzeit anniversaries from May 22nd to 29th 2021. We light memorial candles, donate tsedaka, & attend Shabbat services to honor the memory of our loved ones.

12 Sivan / Sunday, May 23rd

Abraham Lurie Avraham ben Lurie
Abdullah Zekaria Sion Abdulla ben Zekaria

13 Sivan / Monday, May 24th

Florence Amron Farha Hanah bat Garzi
Sulman Soffer Sulman Sion ben Sofer

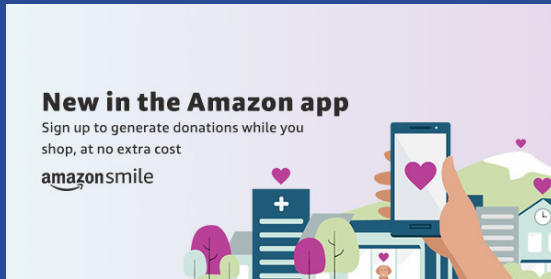
15 Sivan / Wednesday, May 26th

Isaac Bekhor Yitzhak ben Yaacov
Daisy Saddick

16 Sivan / Thursday, May 27th

Colette Volvovic Yakut bat Mordechai

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