

CONDOLENCES *May G-d comfort you among the other mourners of Zion and Jerusalem.*

Evelyn, Jason & Ricki Assenheim and Hannah Fischer on the loss of a husband, father & brother, **Michael Assenheim**

Yahrzeits *Rabbi Bar and the whole community wish the following members, Long Life.*

(Yahrzeits begin the night before the date below)

Shabbat – 8 April / 12 Nisan Mr Royston Keizer, Mrs Rosalyn Silverstone, Mrs Ella-Myrtle Hyman

Sunday – 9 April / 13 Nisan Mrs Evelyn Assenheim, Mr & Mrs Sammy Dias, Mr Gavin Dias, Mr Richard Ellis, Mrs Sylvia Rankoff, Mrs Barbara Zybutz

Monday – 10 April / 14 Nisan Mr Allen Goldenberg, Mr Jeffrey Hendrick, Mrs Jackie Kalms, Mrs Sharon Bronitt

Tuesday – 11 April / 15 Nisan Mr Howard Glyn, Mrs Betty Kosky, Mr Geoffrey Struminger

Wednesday – 12 April / 16 Nisan Mrs Marion Sussman, Mrs Simone Ridgewell

Thursday – 13 April / 17 Nisan Mrs Sylvia Shaw, Mr Lawrence Collins, Mrs Alyce Alexander, Ms Pamela Kay, Mrs Frances Goldstein

Friday – 14 April / 18 Nisan Mrs Yvette Eichen, Mrs Varda Peters, Mr Alan Hoff

VISITING THE SICK If you know anyone who would like a hospital or home visit from a member of the *Community Care Committee*, please email swhfc@gmail.com or leonardshulton@live.com call Janice 07752 874065 or Shul Office on 01702 344900.

REGULAR EVENTS

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| <p>Monday Club Social club with card games 11:45 - 3:30pm, Shul Hall Call Maurice 01702 351845</p> | <p>Little Latkes Baby & Toddler Monday 24th April 10:30am - 12noon Call Karen on 07887 847059</p> | <p>Bereavement Support Group Monday 8th May At the home of Ivan Kanutin Call Janice on 07752 874065</p> |
| <p>Cheder Classes Tuesdays, 4:30 – 6:15pm Age 5+. Bar/Bat Mitzvah lessons also available.</p> | <p>Pop-In Talmud Torah Tuesday 9th May 2pm-4pm Email Janice swhfc@gmail.com</p> | <p>J.A.C.S. Wednesdays Call Allan Goldstein 01268 771978 for more info</p> |
| <p>Discussion Group on Torah insights into the weekly Sidra Every Wednesday after Ma'ariv in the Beit Hamedrash</p> | <p>SJYC – Youth Club Thursdays 4:30 – 6:30pm youth@swhc.org.uk or call Barry 07876 685826</p> | <p>AID Society Bridge– 30th April Thorpe Bay Bridge Club Call Geoff Cohen 339601 or Jan Linden 343289</p> |
| <p>Jewish Museum til 24th Sept Amy Winehouse A Family Portrait For Info call 020 7284 7384</p> | <p>Stock Rd Cemetery, SS2 5QF Sunday – Friday Winter 10am – 3pm GMT Summer 10am – 4pm BST</p> | <p>Add your Simcha onto the Website! Contact Stanley Robinson stan.stanrob@gmail.com</p> |

THE SHOP *Kosher fresh, frozen, dry and baked goods available locally.*

Opening Hours For Pesach | See flyer

Call 01702 430307 (during opening hours) email: alanmarkovitch@yahoo.co.uk / call 07956 597271



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SHABBAT TZAV HAGADOL

FRIDAY NIGHT

Shabbat commences

and Candle lighting **7:21pm**

Mincha/Carlebach-Style

Kabbalat Shabbat **7:30pm**

SHABBAT DAY

Shacharit

9:30am

Children's Service with

Rebbetzin Chaya Faigie

10:30am

followed by Kiddush

Shabbat Hagadol Drasha by Rabbi Bar

"Stealing the Afikoman" **6:45pm**

Mincha

7:20pm

followed by Seudah Shlishit

Ma'ariv when Shabbat ends **8:33pm**

WEEKDAY SERVICE TIMES

SUNDAY

Shacharit **8:30am**

Shiva Service **8:00pm**

at the Shiva House, 76 Elm Road, Shoebury SS3 9RD

Search for Chametz not before 8:30pm

MONDAY – FRIDAY See inside for all Pesach & Week Day Service Times

This week's Newsletter is kindly sponsored by Vanessa & Kevin Leigh in celebration of Kevin's Birthday. Mazel Tov!

The Shul Office will be closed on

Tuesday 11th, Wednesday 12th, Friday 14th, Monday 17th & Tuesday 18th April

We extend a very warm welcome to everyone attending our service this Shabbat.

Torah Reading Rabbi Bar Soncino p 631

Haftorah Rabbi Bar Soncino p 1197

If you would like to repeat your Barmitzva Haftorah, please contact the Gabbaim

“THE GREAT SHABBOS” *Thoughts on the Parasha.*

This week's Shabbos has the unique name of *Shabbos Hagadol*, the Great Shabbos. There are a number of reasons for this name because after all, aren't all Shabboses great?

The Midrash relates that even in Egypt, the Jews kept Shabbos. How was this possible? Moshe appealed to Pharaoh that if he would not allow his slaves at least one day of rest during the week, their stamina would be weakened and they would be unable to continue exerting themselves. Pharaoh saw the logic in this, and decided to give the Jews one "day off" a week. Moshe then chose Shabbos to be their day of rest.

But although the Jews did not work on Shabbos in Egypt, they didn't actually "keep" Shabbos. They were not observing the laws of Shabbos because of the Mitzvah, but rather because it was their day-of-rest. As they were about to leave Egypt, however, Moshe revealed to them the true nature of Shabbos being a Mitzvah from Hashem. The following Shabbos was the first time the Jews observed Shabbos as a commandment.

The Talmud says that one who does a Mitzvah out of obligation to Hashem is **greater** (*gadol*) than one who does a Mitzvah voluntarily. When one performs a Mitzvah voluntarily, the influence of the *yetzer hara* to dissuade a person from doing it isn't as strong as when one is commanded to do it. Perhaps this is why this week's Shabbos is "*Shabbos Hagadol*". On this Shabbos the Jewish people achieved greatness by keeping Shabbos because it is a Mitzvah, and not just as a day of rest.

In reality, all Shabbosos are great, but *Shabbos Hagadol* has a unique greatness. Above all, it is great, as on this Shabbos we have the opportunity to make our last spiritual preparations for Pesach. This past week and next couple of days we are occupied with our material preparations for Pesach. So let's take advantage of Shabbos to do a bit of spiritual bedikat chametz (search for leaven), to get ourselves into the right frame of mind for this wonderful upcoming Yom Tov.

Shabbat Shalom

Rabbi Binyamin Bar

SPONSORSHIPS *Celebrate and commemorate your loved ones.*

Ladies Guild Kiddushim Contact Lisa Berg on swhc.org.uk/ladies-guild/#kiddush or 07760141162

Newsletter Contact the Shul Office £25 donation.

Tree of Life in the Shul Hall For our 110th Anniversary, each leaf will be £110 for a limited period.

MAZEL TOV! *A hearty Mazel Tov from the SWHC Community*

Henrietta & Michael Rabinovitch on the occasion of their Sapphire (45th) Wedding Anniversary

Morris Blaine on the occasion of his 90th Birthday

Zena Rose on the occasion of her 80th Birthday

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

This Shabbat 8th April | The Kiddush is sponsored by S&WHC to mark the occasion of Janice Steel's retirement as Financial Controller and to thank her for the past 21 years long service with S&WHC.

Timetable for Pesach 2017

Erev Pesach – Monday 10th April – Fast of First Born

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| Morning Service | 8.00am | Followed by a Siyum & lechayim |
| Chametz can be eaten until | 10.42am | |
| Burning of Chametz until | 11.50am | |
| Yom Tov & Pesach begins/Candle Lighting | 7.26pm | |
| Mincha & Ma'ariv | 7.30pm | |

Followed by Communal Seder in Shul Hall

1st Day Pesach Tuesday 11th April

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| Morning Service | 9.30am |
| Musaf 'Tefilat Tal' - Prayer for Dew | 11.30am |
| Mincha & Ma'ariv | 7.30pm |
| Candle Lighting | 8.41pm |

The candles should not be lit before this time

2nd Day Pesach – Wednesday 12th April

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| Morning Service | 9.30am |
| Mincha | 7.40pm |
| Ma'ariv, Yom Tov ends | 8.43pm |

Chol Hamoed I – Thursday 13th April

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| Morning Service | 8.00am |
| Mincha then Ma'ariv | 7:45pm |

Chol Hamoed II – Friday 14th April

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| Morning Service | 8.00am |
| Mincha & Ma'ariv | 7.30pm |
| Shabbat Chol Hamoed begins | 7.33pm |
| Candle Lighting | 7.33pm |

The candles must be lit before this time

Shabbat 15th April | The **Seudah Shlishit** will be kindly sponsored by Myra & David Gordon.

Thursday 20th April | **Challah Bake 8:30pm** Synagogue Hall with TWO Rebbesin Bars (Rabbi Bar's mother & wife)

Sunday 23rd April, 7pm | **Yom Hashoah** See poster

Monday 1st May, 7pm | **Yom Hazikaron/Yom Ha'atzmaut** See poster

Tuesday 9th May | **Westcliff & District WIZO Guided tour of the Wallace Collection** Coach leaves Westcliff at 1:30pm. Call Adrienne for more info & to book your place 01702 333004.

Sunday 14th May, 12noon - 3pm | **Lag B'Omer Community BBQ** See poster.

Tuesday 16th May | **Film Club presents "Dough"** Call Marilyn 01702 476349 or Rochelle 01702 436991 for tickets.