

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

Estella and Jillian Brone on the loss a husband and father, **Leon Brone**
Irene Burns, Rosalind Miller, Barbara Nathan, Shirley Levy and Gillian Burns on the loss
of a husband, brother and father, **Jack Burns**

STONE SETTING *Stock Road Cemetery, SS2 5QF unless otherwise stated.*

Sunday 10th September 2:00pm **Andrew Levitt** 2:45pm **Charles Freedman**
3:30pm **Ruth Nortman** 4:15pm **Sheila Schwarz**
Sunday 17th September 2:00pm **Leonard Lierens** 2:45pm **Otto Deutsch**

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

(Yahrzeits begin the night before the date below)

Shabbat – 9 September / 18 Ellul Mrs Helena Graham, Mr Malcolm Rubin, Mrs Sonia Burns,
Mrs Linda Bennett

Sunday – 10 September / 19 Ellul Mrs Benita Speck, Mrs Rosalie Grant

Monday – 11 September / 20 Ellul Mr Martin Franks, Mr Michael Franks,
Miss Jacqueline Michelow

Tuesday – 12 September / 21 Ellul Mr Jeffrey Gilbert, Mr Martin Neidus, Mrs Mildred Nelkin,

Wednesday – 13 September / 22 Ellul Mr Gerry Gordon, Mr Mark Gordon

Thursday – 14 September / 23 Ellul Mrs Shirley Shalet, Mr Morris King, Mrs Sarah Freedman,
Mrs Angela Cohen

Friday – 15 September / 24 Ellul Mrs Brenda Feldman, Mrs Minn Rose

VISITING THE SICK If you know anyone who would like a hospital or home visit from Rabbi Bar or a member of
the *Community Care Committee*, please email swhcf@gmail.com or call Janice on 07752874065 or the Shul
Office on 01702 344900.

REGULAR EVENTS

<p>Monday Club Social club with card games 11:45 - 3:30pm, Shul Hall Call Maurice 01702 351845</p>	<p>Saying Kaddish in Shul? Please ensure you bring at least <u>two relatives</u> or friends to help with the Minyan.</p>	<p>Bereavement Support Group Monday 11th September at the home of Ivan Call Janice on 07752 874065</p>
<p>Cheder Classes New term begins Tuesday 12th September rabbibar@gmail.com</p>	<p>Pop-In Talmud Torah Tuesday 31st Oct 2pm-4pm Email Janice swhcf@gmail.com</p>	<p>J.A.C.S. Wednesdays Call Allan Goldstein 01268 771978 for more info</p>
<p>AID Society Bridge– 1st Oct Thorpe Bay Bridge Club Call Geoff Cohen 339601 or Jan Linden 343289</p>	<p>SJYC – Youth Club Closed for the summer youth@swhc.org.uk or call Barry 07876 685826</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>	<p>Tree of Life Shul Hall Mark your Simcha with a leaf on the tree for £110</p>

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

Sunday | 9.30am-11am **Thursday** | 10am-4.30pm **Friday** | 9am-11am
01702 430307 (during opening hours) / alanmarkovitch@yahoo.co.uk / 07956 597271



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*This weeks Newsletter is kindly
sponsored by **Marlene & Paul Binder**
to celebrate the Auf Ruf of their son,
Michael, prior to his wedding on 17th
September, to **Linzi**, daughter of **Terri**
& **Mo Arkus**, granddaughter of **Millie**
Highbloom. Mazel Tov to both families.*



*We extend a very warm welcome to
everyone attending our services this
Shabbat. We hope you enjoy the Services
and you will join us again soon.*



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SHABBAT KI TAVO

FRIDAY NIGHT

Mincha/Carlebach-Style
Kabbalat Shabbat 7:10pm
Shabbat commences
and Candle lighting 7:08pm

SHABBAT DAY

Shacharit 9:30am
Children's Service 11:00am
followed by Kiddush
Rabbi's Shiur 6:15pm
Mincha 7:00pm
followed by Seudah Shlishit
Ma'ariv when Shabbat ends 8:18pm

WEEKDAY SERVICE TIMES

SUNDAY

Shacharit 8:30am
Mincha followed by Ma'ariv 7:00pm

MONDAY - THURSDAY

Shacharit 8:00am
Ma'ariv 8:00pm

NEXT FRIDAY

Shacharit 8:00am
Mincha then Kabbalat Shabbat 6:50pm
Shabbat commences 6:52pm

Torah Reading	Rabbi Bar	Soncino pg 1117
Haftorah Ki Tavo	Roy Barnes	Soncino pg 1134
Anim Zemirot	Noah & Zachary Macmull	Sacks Siddur pg 458
<i>If you would like to repeat your Barmitzvah Haftorah, please contact the Gabbaim</i>		

THE MITZVAH OF THANKSGIVING *Thoughts on the Parsha*

The United Kingdom has a number of days in which the people pay tribute and show their gratitude to various individuals and entities. Sunday Remembrance Day, Armed Forces Day, Holocaust Memorial Day amongst many others... As Jewish citizens in Britain, we look to the Torah for deeper insights. What light does the Torah shed on the very important trait of gratitude?

There is one particular mitzvah, mentioned in this week's Parasha, which is entirely devoted to expressing gratitude, the mitzvah of *Bikurim*. During the Temple era, every farmer was commanded to bring to the Beth Hamikdash in Yerushalaim the first fruits which ripened in his orchard. There he would recite a passage thanking Hashem for the Land and its bountiful harvest, the fruits were then given to the *kohanim*. The Midrash extols the great virtue of this mitzvah, going so far as to say that the Land of Israel was given to the Jews as a reward for the mitzvah of *Bikurim* they would observe after entering the Land!

While the importance of expressing deserved gratitude is self-understood, it is difficult to comprehend the special significance of *Bikurim*. Isn't the Jewish day jam-packed with "thank you"s? The first words we utter when waking in the morning express our thanks to Hashem for returning our souls to our bodies. Thrice daily during the course of prayer, we thank Hashem for everything we could possibly think of. Before and after eating, we thank Hashem for the food. There is even a blessing recited upon exiting the restroom, thanking Hashem for normal bodily function!

With all the thanking which occurs on a daily basis, why the need for a specific mitzvah to emphasize the point? And why the great reward for this particular form of expressing thanks?

The Lubavitcher Rebbe points out one obvious difference between *Bikurim* and all the other ways we thank Hashem. *Bikurim* involves more than just words, it requires a commitment; the gratitude must express itself in deeds. *Bikurim* implies that our thankfulness to Hashem cannot remain in the realm of emotions, thoughts, or even speech, but must also move us to action.

While the mitzvah of *Bikurim* in its plainest sense is not practicable today, its lesson is timeless. Our gratitude to Hashem must express itself in the actions of our daily life. Giving back the "first of our fruit," the choicest share of the crop, is the only appropriate way to thank Hashem for giving us *all* our fruit.

Shabbat Shalom,
Rabbi Binyamin Bar

Purchase Your Arba Minim (Lulav and Etrog) | If you would like to order your Arba Minim through the Shul Office, please call 01702 344900 asap. Price to be confirmed.

THANK YOU

A big thank you to our wonderful **Ladies' Guild** who have once again, this year, cleaned our silver so beautifully.

SPONSORSHIPS *Celebrate and commemorate your loved ones.*

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

Newsletter Contact the Shul Office £25 donation to sponsor our weekly Newsletter.

Seudah Shlishit Contact geoffrey.pepper@hotmail.co.uk (minimum donation £30).

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

THIS SHABBAT | Kiddush this week is generously sponsored by **Marlene & Paul Binder** on the occasion of their son, **Michael's Auf Ruf**, prior to his wedding on 17th September, to, **Linzi**, daughter of **Terri & Mo Arkus**, granddaughter of **Millie Highbloom**. Mazel Tov to both families.

Sunday 10th September 10:30am to 12:30pm | Ladies Guild Annual Hat Sale in the Talmud Torah. Buy your new hat for the High Holy Days. Donation £3 at the door with coffee and cake.

Thursday 14th September 8pm | A Honey Cake Bake in the Shul Hall. Please be aware, this is a change of date! Rebbetzin Bar invites all Ladies and Girls to come and bake! Includes an inspiring Shiur to put us in the right frame for Rosh Hashana. £3 per participant, please RSVP and pay by 10th September to the Shul Office.

Motzei Shabbat 16th September | Choral Midnight Selichot Service Doors open 10.30pm. Enjoy late night refreshments and drinks. Countdown to the awe inspiring days of the Yomim Noraim. Come & hear the beautiful melodies of the Selichot led by Rabbi Bar Introduction 11.45pm. Service 12 midnight. Ladies & Gentlemen all welcome. Free entry.

Wednesday/Thursday/Friday 20th, 21st & 22nd & Friday/Shabbat 29th & 30th September | Rosh Hashana & Yom Kippur. We extend a warm welcome return to distinguished Chazan, Gedalya Alexander, and his family. Chazan Gedalya is in considerable demand across Europe, not only for his beauty of voice, but also for the deep meaning which he invests in the prayers.

Shabbat 30th September | Yom Kippur Ladies Hour in the Beis Hamedrash at 4pm there will be our annual Ladies Hour discussion group. Should anyone wish to take a turn and join Rebbetzin Bar at giving a short speech then please contact Rochelle O'Brart on 01702 719297.

Monday 25th September | Ladies Guild House of Lords Tour & Tea (Not under S&WHC Kashrut Supervision) Contact van38@blueyonder.co.uk

Sunday 8th October 6pm | Pizza in the Hut The Cheder and Youth will be holding their annual "Pizza in the Hut" event for the children and their families from 6pm. There will be food, fun and games for all. If you are a family with children aged between 5-13yrs old and do not attend the Cheder or Youth Club you are still welcome to join us, so please get in touch to ensure you contact the Rabbi or Barry to book your Free Place.

Sunday 8th October 7.15pm | Simchat Beit Hashoeva The Shul will be holding its annual Sukkah Party after Ma'ariv. The entire Community is welcome to celebrate with us in our large Sukkah for an evening of joyful celebration with refreshments and surprise guest speaker. Free Entry. Everyone Welcome.

Sunday 8th October | The Balfour Centenary A Legal Conference, London 3pm-7pm. For details please contact 0208 202 0202

Thursday 12th October 5pm | Children's Simchat Torah Party We have pleasure in inviting all our children as we celebrate Simchat Torah 5778 commencing at 5pm in the Talmud Torah, with a 'Jelly & Ice Cream' Party and Marko Sparko Magician. Afterwards, join the community and parents in the main Shul ready for singing and dancing with the Torah. Goody bags with all kinds of everything.

Earlier Mincha Service

Please note Maariv only is at 8.00 pm weekday evenings apart from Sunday which is still at 7.00 pm when we are davening Mincha, then Maariv.

However, The Chassidim are having their own Mincha service at 7.45 pm Monday to Thursday inclusive for the next couple of weeks and anyone who wants to say Kaddish is welcome and invited to attend.