

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

Sunday 11th February 2pm **Lawrence Sussman**

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

(Yahrzeits begin the night before the date below)

Shabbat –10 February/ 25 Shevat Mr Leonard Crystall, Mrs Evelyn Elman, Mrs Irene Burns, Miss Diana Denny, Mrs Ella-Myrtle Hyman, Mrs Nita Marcus, Mr Stanley Robinson

Sunday – 11 February /26 Shevat Mr Michael Engleman, Mr Roger Rapp, Mr Jonathan Rapp

Monday – 12 February / 27 Shevat Mr Ronald Roback

Tuesday – 13 February / 28 Shevat Mr Sam Young, Mrs Roberta Silver

Wednesday –14 February / 29 Shevat Mr Ronnie Blacker, Mrs Irene Josephs, Mrs Betty Steel, Mrs Helen Gordon

Thursday – 15 February / 30 Shevat Mr Jeffrey Freedman, Mrs Betty Morton, Mr Michael Herman, Mrs Minn Rose, Mr Ian Lieberman, Mr Gerald Ward

Friday – 16 February / 1 Adar Mrs Brenda Feldman, Mr Graham Berg, Mrs Beverley Miller, Mrs Moira Dickson, Mrs Doris Finesilver, Mr Roy Silver, Mrs Anne Green, Mr Sonny Kosky, Lady Gold, Mrs Sylvia Rankoff

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 swhfc@gmail.com or call Janice on 07752874065 or the Shul Office on 01702 344900.

REGULAR EVENTS & NOTICES

<p>Monday Club Social club with card games 11:45 - 3:30pm, Shul Hall Call Maurice 01702 351845</p>	<p>Bereavement Support Group Sunday 25 Feb 10am to noon At the home of Janice Call Janice on 07752 874065</p>	<p>Easy Insights on the weekly Sedra, Thursdays after Ma'ariv with sumptuous hot food Men only</p>
<p>Cheder Classes Tuesdays rabbibar@gmail.com chayafbar@gmail.com</p>	<p>J.A.C.S. Wednesdays Call Allan Goldstein 01268 771978 for more info</p>	<p>Pop-In Talmud Torah Tuesday 27 Feb 2pm-4pm Email Janice swhfc@gmail.com</p>
<p>SJYC – Youth Club Sunday Club 18 Feb Call Sarah Miller 07818 412425</p>	<p>Stock Rd Cemetery, SS2 5QF Sunday – Friday Winter 10am – 3pm GMT Summer 10am – 4pm BST</p>	<p>AID Society Bridge 4 Mar Thorpe Bay Bridge Club Call Geoff Cohen 339601 or Jan Linden 343289</p>
<p>Tree of Life - Shul Hall Mark your Simcha with a leaf on the tree for £110</p>	<p>Newsletter Sponsorship Contact the Shul Office £25 donation</p>	<p>Ladies Guild Kiddushim Contact Lisa Berg on 07760141162 or swhc.org.uk/ladies-guild/#kiddush</p>



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New moon is Thursday 15th February at 3:09pm

We are delighted to welcome all members and guests/visitors today. Everyone is invited to the Kiddush after the service which we hope you will enjoy.

SHABBAT MISHPATIM-SHEKALIM

FRIDAY NIGHT

Shabbat commences 4:43pm
Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat 4:45pm

SHABBAT DAY

Shacharit 9:30am
Children's Service 11:00am
Kiddush & Mincha *follows the main service*

Shabbat ends 5:56pm
Ma'ariv 6:30pm

WEEKDAY SERVICE TIMES

SUNDAY

Shacharit 8:30am
Mincha 1:45pm
Ma'ariv 8:45pm

MONDAY – WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY (1st day Rosh Chodesh)

Shacharit 8:00am
Mincha 1:45pm
Ma'ariv 8:45pm

NEXT FRIDAY (2nd day Rosh Chodesh)

Shacharit 8:00am
Shabbat commences 4:55pm
Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat 4:55pm

Torah Reading	Rabbi Aryeh Sufrin MBE	Soncino pg 471
Maftir Shekalim	Rabbi Aryeh Sufrin MBE	Soncino pg 540 v11-16
Haftorah	Roy Barnes	Soncino pg 1191 V1
Musaf	Roy Barnes	Sacks Siddur pg 432
Blessing the new month	Adar	Sacks Siddur pg 424
Anim Zemirot	Saul Bebb	Sacks Siddur pg 458

If you would like to repeat your Bar Mitzvah Haftorah, please contact the Gabbaim.

CIVIL LAW *Thoughts on the Parsha*

The juxtaposition of this *sedrah* (dealing primarily with civil law) with the Ten Commandments and the laws of the Altar (in last week's *sedrah*) provide an inspiring insight into Judaism. Most people think of religion as a matter of ritual and spirituality. The cultured western man differentiates between Church and State. But the Torah views it differently. In Yiddishkeit, all areas of life are intertwined with holiness and having halachically correct business dealings is just as pious as matters of ritual. The Sages teach that one who wishes to be a *chassid* (a devoutly pious person), should be scrupulous in matters of civil law (Bava Kamma 30a). In Judaism, the concept of the "temple" is not just the synagogue, but the courtroom and even the home.

The Sages also learn from the closeness of the Sedras that the seat of the Sanhedrin, the seventy-one member supreme authority court on halachic matters, should be on the Temple Mount, near the Temple itself, for both the Temple and the Sanhedrin are expressions of holiness and worship of Hashem. A judge who rules correctly is considered a partner in Creation, and one who rules corruptly is a destroyer of Hashem's world. For this reason, immediately after relating the awesome story of the Exodus in which the whole world recognized Hashem's power, through the miracles of the plagues, the Splitting of the Sea, and the Revelation at Sinai, the Torah deals with laws that seem mundane in character. Because they are not mundane. They are as much expressions of Hashem's greatness as the First Commandment, which proclaims Hashem's existence and sovereignty.

This point is graphically illustrated by the first group of laws in the *sedrah*, that of Jewish bondservants. Even the most degraded men and women are created in the image of Hashem, and their treatment is as carefully regulated by the Torah as the procedure of the Temple service on Yom Kippur. Nachmanides comments that the civil law is an extension of the Tenth Commandment, which forbids covetousness. In order to know what he may not covet, one must know the rights and property of others. Sforno elaborates this point and comments that the above commandment states that one may not covet anything that belongs to his fellow; so the Torah now goes on to begin defining what it is that belongs to others.

Shabbat Shalom,

Rabbi Binyamin Bar

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

Eveanne & Elliot Baker on the birth of a two granddaughters, Lottie Milly and Loey, and **Terri & Andrew Levene** on the birth of a two great granddaughters. Mazel Tov!!

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Shabbat 10th February | Sit-down Cholent Lunch with Rabbi Aryeh Sufrin MBE and guest speaker, Chavi Sufrin. Rabbi & Mrs Sufrin are joining us for Shabbat. Rabbi Sufrin will be leyning and addressing the community. Chavi Sufrin is a Child, Adolescent & Adult Psychotherapeutic Counsellor, currently working for Chai Cancer Care, in Private Practice and as the School Therapist for the Royal Ballet School. £10 adult, £7.50 children under 13. If you have put your name down but not yet paid, please call Shul Office asap.

Sunday 18th February, 11am | Beth Hamedrash - MDA UK Southend & Westcliff, welcome Prof. Eilat Shinar, Director of Blood Services for Magen David Adom, Israel. Complimentary Israeli Breakfast. For further details please contact, Linda Burns on 07968 103269 / itburns@hotmail.co.uk.

Tuesday 20th February, 8pm | Southend Learning Circles Led by Rabbi Aryeh Sufrin MBE and Mrs Sufrin of Chabad in association with SWHC. Venues to be announced. To volunteer to host an evening or for more info, contact Mrs Sufrin 020 8551 8604

Sunday 25th February, 6:30pm | AID Society Music Quiz, Shul Hall. For details and tickets, please contact Rochelle O'Brart 01702 719297.

Tuesday 27th February, 8pm | Ladies & Girls Hamantaschen Evening. Get the 3D Effect with Rebbetzin Chaya Faigie! **Design** – bake delicious Hamantaschen. **Discover** – the mystical significance of Hamantaschen. **Delight** – in the spirit of Purim with great company! £4 per person, please book with the Shul Office by 21st February.

Wednesday 28th February | Fast of Esther Fast begins 5:05am, Fast Ends 6:27pm. Purim begins and Community reading of the Megillah follows at 7:30pm. Refreshments, Hamantaschen and fancy dress.



Thursday 1st March | Purim All the community are invited for the Reading of the Megillah, 5pm, come in fancy dress! *Following on, The Purim Royal Banquet* with Rabbi & Rebbetzin Bar. 2 courses, talent show from the children and lots of Purim fun! £8 per adult, £4 per child. Please book and pay by the 21st Feb.

Tuesday 20th March 11:30am | Fashion Show The very last one. In aid of S & W Jewish Community Centre and Havens Hospices. Price: £26.50. Tickets/enquiries: Rita - 01702 330806 or Occasions Boutique - 01702 473115.

Shabbat 31st March, 7:30pm | 2nd Night Communal Seder Shul Hall. £25 adults, £12.50 children under 13. Contact Shul Office. Ticket deadline Monday 19th March.

Add your Simcha to the Website | Contact Stanley Robinson stan.stanrob@gmail.com