

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

(Yahrzeits begin the night before the date below)

Shabbat – 20 January / 4 Shevat Mrs Netta Harper, Mr Henry Harris, Mrs Linda Riseman

Sunday – 21 January / 5 Shevat Mrs Geraldine Symons

Monday – 22 January / 6 Shevat Mrs Pauline Patchick, Mr Howard Gibeon,
Mr Cyril Levy, Mr Philip Lewis, Mrs Victoria Caplan, Mr Ronnie Blacker,
Mrs Sylvia Vandermolen, Mr Jack Saunders

Tuesday – 23 January / 7 Shevat Mrs Sandra Kutner, Mrs Sonia Scott

Wednesday – 24 January / 8 Shevat Mrs Sheila Byrne, Mrs Sybil Schiller,
Mrs Hazel Ward, Miss Bertha Morris

Thursday – 25 January / 9 Shevat Mrs Rhoda Waterman, Mr Ian Lieberman,
Mrs Marcelle Baum

Friday – 26 January / 10 Shevat Mrs Netta Harper, Mrs Beverley Finer, Mrs Laura Lane,
Mrs Patricia Krieger, Mr Maurice Jacques, Mrs Sarah Freedman, Mr Allan Silver,
Mrs Susan Konyn

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 swhcfc@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 Monday 29 Jan At the home of Martin Dorne Call Janice on 07752 874065</p>	<p>15 Minute Easy Insights on the weekly Sedra with sumptuous hot food Thursdays 8:45pm Men only</p>
<p>Cheder Classes Tuesdays rabbibar@gmail.com</p>	<p>AID Society Bridge 4 Feb Thorpe Bay Bridge Club Call Geoff Cohen 339601 or Jan Linden 343289</p>	<p>Pop-In Talmud Torah Tuesday 23 Jan 2pm-4pm Email Janice swhcfc@gmail.com</p>
<p>SJYC – Youth Club Sunday Club starting 18th 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>Ladies Guild Kiddushim Contact Lisa Berg on 07760141162 or swhc.org.uk/ladies-guild/#kiddush</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>J.A.C.S. Wednesdays Call Allan Goldstein 01268 771978 for more info</p>

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*This week's Newsletter is kindly sponsored by **Miriam & Lawrence Goldman and Helen & Ilan Frankel** in celebration of **Ruby Frankel's Batmitzvah.***
Mazel Tov!



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.



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SHABBAT BO

FRIDAY NIGHT

Shabbat commences	4:06pm
Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat	4:05pm

SHABBAT DAY

Shacharit	9:30am
Children's Service	11:00am
Kiddush & Mincha <i>follows the main service</i>	
Shabbat ends	5:23pm
Ma'ariv	5:50pm

WEEKDAY SERVICE TIMES

SUNDAY

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

MONDAY - THURSDAY

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

NEXT FRIDAY

Shacharit	8:00am
Shabbat commences	4:17pm
Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat	4:15pm

Torah Reading	Rabbi Bar	Soncino pg 377
Haftarah Bo	Anthony Larholt	Soncino pg 404
Anim Zemirot	Josh Frankel	Sacks Singers pg 458

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



YOM KIPPUR APPEAL - CHAI CANCER CARE

We are delighted to inform the Community that we have raised in excess of £8,000 for this most worthy cause. Thank you to all those who contributed. -*Roy Barnes*

THE DOGS IN EGYPT *Thoughts on the Parsha*

"There will be a great cry of anguish throughout Egypt. Never before has there been anything like it, and never again will there be like it. But among the children of Israel, a dog will not make a sound because of either man or beast. You will then realize that Hashem is making a miraculous distinction between Egypt and Israel." (Shemot 11:6-7)

Moshe graphically described to Pharaoh the calamity that would befall Egypt as a consequence of Pharaoh's ignoring Hashem's command to let the Jewish people leave his country. In sharp contrast to the grief and death that will engulf the Egyptians, the Jews will enjoy complete tranquillity; not even a dog will bark or howl against them.

We may assume that the expression "a dog will not so much as make a sound" is merely a metaphorical illustration to show the stark contrast between the agony of the Egyptians and the Jewish people's peaceful and non-eventful departure from their house of bondage. We might say that the expression means simply that no one would bother the Jews when they would make their way out of Egypt.

The commentators, however, explain that the phrase may be interpreted literally. The Talmud ascribes to dogs a form of extra-sensory perception that enables them to perceive unforeseen events, such as a person's death or some prophetic revelation (Bava Kama 60b). Recent experiments carried out by scientists in China support this, indeed the Chinese have discovered that prior to earthquakes, dogs begin to behave erratically hours before the most advanced seismographs detect even the faintest tremors.

The reference to dogs in this verse is not merely metaphoric. It teaches that even the dogs in Egypt sensed that the 'Yetziat Mitzrayim' - the Exodus of the Jews was an uncommon event.

Shabbat Shalom,
Rabbi Binyamin Bar

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

Joy & Eric Harris on the Batmitzvah of their granddaughter, Ariella Harris (USA)

Lord & Lady Gold on the birth of a granddaughter, Blair Gigi, born to Amanda & Daniel Lyons

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Shabbat 20th January | The Kiddush this week is generously sponsored by **Miriam & Lawrence Goldman** and **Helen & Ilan Frankel** in celebration of **Ruby Frankel's** Batmitzvah.

Tuesday 23rd January, 8pm | Southend Learning Circles in association with SWHC. Led by Rabbi Aryeh Sufrin MBE & Mrs Sufrin of Chabad. Venues to be announced. To volunteer your home to host an evening or for more info, contact Mrs Sufrin 020 8551 8604 [/mrssufrin@chabadilford.co.uk](mailto:mrssufrin@chabadilford.co.uk)

Friday 26th January, 12 noon | Holocaust Day Tree Planting Ceremony Marine Parade Gardens, opposite Crescent Road, Leigh on Sea.

Shabbat 27th January | The Kiddush will be generously sponsored by **Cynthia & Jeffrey Simmons** to celebrate Jeffrey's 83rd Birthday. Mazeltov!

Sunday 28th January, 3pm | Holocaust Day Commemoration Service, Council Chamber, Civic Centre. Music, reflections, poetry and an address by Holocaust survivor, Mr Manfred Goldberg. Free parking will be available in the Civic Centre car park off Carnarvon Road. There will also be an Exhibition on display.

Monday 29th January, 6:45pm Shul Hall | Tu B'Shvat JLS Evening Limmud-style event, catered by Suzanne Elman. 8-8:55pm Deputy Speaker of the House of Lords, Lord Monroe Palmer - "A view from The Lords". 9-9:50pm BBC Musical presenter Philip Hyman - 'Leonard Bernstein as a Jewish Musician' OR Rabbi Bar - "Eruv 101: how does it work?". £12.50 per person, £22.50 per couple. Call the Shul Office to book your place by 21st January. For more info, call Rabbi Bar 01702 393535.

Sunday 4th February, 10am | Meeting in Shul Hall. If you have a question to pose, kindly send it in to the Shul Office no later than Tuesday 30th Jan. Questions received in advance will be addressed first before any questions from 'the floor'. The Shul Office and 'The Shop' will both close at 10am and 'The Shop' will reopen for half an hour once the meeting has closed.

Shabbat 10th February | Sit-down Cholent Lunch with Rabbi Ayreh Sufrin MBE and guest speaker, Chavi Sufrin. Rabbi Sufrin is leining whilst Rabbi Bar is on holiday. 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.** Please make payment to the Shul Office.

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

Thursday 1st March | Purim – Save the date

MEET THE RABBI in the Talmud Torah | Monday, Tuesday & Friday 10am-11am, Sunday 10.30am-11.30am. Members of the community are welcome to "drop in" to see the Rabbi if they so wish or to make appointments to see him in the office later in the day by mutual agreement.