

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

The family of the late **Joyce Baum**

STONE SETTINGS

Sunday 19th May 12.30pm **Susan Finer** (née Harris) **Edgwarebury Lane**
Sunday 19th May 2.30pm **Claire Linden** **Stock Road**

YAHARZEITS *The SWHC community wish the following members, Long Life.*

(Yahrzeits begin the night before the date below)

Shabbat – 18 May/13 Iyar Mr Barry Linton
Sunday – 19 May/14 Iyar Mrs Roberta Yaffe, Mr Symon Davis, Mr Michael Goldring, Mrs Helen Koppel, Mr Sam Young
Monday – 20 May /15 Iyar Mrs Judith O’Brart, Mr Maurice Symons
Tuesday – 21 May /16 Iyar Mr David Jay
Wednesday – 22 May /17 Iyar Mrs Dawn Shestopal, Mrs Julie Baum
Thursday – 23 May /18 Iyar Mr David Gordon, Mrs Sheila Sekenofsky, Mr David Riseman
Friday – 24 May/19 Iyar Mr Anthony Larholt, Mrs Angela Kneller, Mr Lawrence Simmons, Mrs Sophia Zetter, Mr Richard Zetter

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

REGULAR EVENTS & NOTICES

Shalom Friendship Club “The Monday Club” Call Maurice 01702 351845	Bereavement Support Group Monday 20 th May <u>Change of Venue:</u> now at the home of Janice Steel Call Janice 07752 874065	AID Society Bridge Sunday 2 nd June Thorpe Bay Bridge Club Call Geoff Cohen 339601 or Jan Linden 343289
No Cheder This Sunday yael@moont.com	SJYC Youth Club - Thursdays Ages 5-15 in the Talmud Torah	J.A.C.S. Wednesdays 01268 771978
Shul Library swhc.org.uk/facilities/library sonnykosky@blueyonder.co.uk 01702 589105	Stock Rd Cemetery, SS2 5QF Sunday – Friday Winter 10am – 3pm GMT Summer 10am – 4pm BST	Ladies Guild Kiddushim Contact Sara Vandermolen on 01702 344900 swhc.org.uk/ladies-guild/#kiddush
Tree of Life - Shul Hall Mark your Simcha with a leaf on the tree for £110	Newsletter Sponsorship Contact the Shul Office £25 donation	Pop-In Shul Hall Tuesday 21 st May, 2-4pm Email Jan swhcfc@gmail.com



18th May 2019 | 13 Iyar 5779

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Shabbat Shalom!
We are delighted to welcome all members and guests today. Everyone is invited to the Kiddush following the service.

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SHABBAT EMOR

FRIDAY NIGHT

Mincha then Kabbalat Shabbat 7:30pm
Shabbat & Candle lighting 8:00pm

SHABBAT DAY

Shacharit 9:30am
Children’s Service & Kiddush 11:00am
Kiddush *after the main service*

Mincha *followed by*
Seudah Shlishit 8:30pm
Ma’ariv *when Shabbat ends* 9:54pm

WEEKDAY SERVICE TIMES

SUNDAY-WEDNESDAY

Shacharit 8:30am
Mincha/Ma’ariv 8:00pm

THURSDAY

Lag B’Omer 33rd day of the Omer

Shacharit 8:30am
Mincha/Ma’ariv 8:00pm

NEXT FRIDAY

Shacharit 8:30am
Mincha then Kabbalat Shabbat 7:30pm
Shabbat begins/candle lighting 8:00pm

Torah Reading	Tzvi Chaim Freylich & Yosef Yehoshua Freylich	Soncino Pg 740
Haftorah Emor	Anthony Larholt	Soncino Pg 761
Anim Zemirot	Saul Bebb	Sacks Singers Pg 458

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

THOUGHTS ON THIS WEEK'S PARSHA *from Jeremy Symons*

Towards the end of this week's Parsha, we read about the heinous cursing of Hashem perpetrated by a Jew in the Israelite camp.

What follows is a series of laws and disciplinary actions. – Blasphemy is punishable by death through stoning, a murderer shall be put to death, and damage of property must be repaid through monetary compensation.

Finally, in the last pasuk of the Sedra, we are told the blasphemer is taken outside the camp and stoned to death, as Hashem had commanded in the aforementioned series of punishments.

Analysing this passage, it seems strange that the punishments for murder and property damage were included at this point in the Torah. If the subject of this section is the felony of blasphemy, why were the seemingly irrelevant punishments for these other crimes thrown in as well?

Rabbi Moshe Feinstein answers that the Torah is highlighting for us the dangerous depths to which a person devoid of fear of Hashem can fall. When a person has slipped to the level that he can physically bring himself to utter a curse of Hashem, the ultimate sign of disrespect for the divine, other rule breaking, even murder, is no longer beyond their realm of possibilities.

And if, for whatever reason, the circumstances are that a person cannot commit murder (because of public opinion or fear of punishment from the government), they are then more prone to cause damage in any way that they can.

To whom will such a person be held responsible? Without fear and belief in a living G-d who ultimately holds every single one of us accountable for everything that we do or say, there is nothing that a person cannot and will not rationalize.

Unfortunately, we don't have to search back too far in history to find the ultimate catastrophic results of this mindset. The Torah, therefore, places the punishments for murder and property damage immediately after the punishment for blasphemy, to convey to us that without maintaining a strong belief in Hashem, anything is possible. The welfare of society even our own life is dependent upon it.

Good Shabbos!

Seudah Shlishit If anyone would like to sponsor a Seudah Shlishit for a Birthday, Anniversary etc. or to commemorate a Yahrzeit, kindly contact geoffrey.pepper@hotmail.co.uk (minimum donation £30).

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Shabbat 18th May | Once again, **Tzvi Chaim Freylich & Yosef Yehoshua Freylich** will be leining for us.

Sunday 19th May | **S&WHC AGM** 9:30am voting commences. 10:30am AGM commences.

Thursday 23rd May | **Lag B'Omer Barbeque (33rd day of the Omer.) 6-8pm** £10 Adults, £25 Family Ticket (2 Adults, 2 Children), £5 Children (under 13). Live music, children's games and veggie options available. Book with the Shul Office by Sunday 19th May.

Shabbat 25th May | The Kiddush will be generously sponsored by **Jill & Lawrence Collins** in celebration of **Lawrence's 80th Birthday**. We also welcome the return of **Rabbi Eli Brunner** and his dear wife, **Claire**.

Sunday 2nd June, 3-5pm | **CCJ** presents *The Persecution of Christians & Jews in the Middle East*. **Venue:** Avenue Baptist Church, Milton Road, Westcliff, SS0 7PL. **Speakers:** Lyn Julius, Journalist and Author of "Uprooted" speaking on the persecution of Jews, Pastor Wagih Abdelmassih speaking on the persecution of Christians. For more information, contact Peter Baum or Jack de Metz

Shabbat 8th – Monday 10th June | **SHAVUOT 5779** We welcome the return of guest **Rabbi Dovid Sher**, who delivered some inspirational sermons during his visit here last Sukkot.

Shabbat 8th June Erev Shavuot | Board of Management Shabbat

Shacharit 9:30am Torah Reading: **Rabbi Dovid Sher** and **Samuel Fine**
 Shabbat Mincha 8:30pm *followed by Seudah Tikun Leil*, a programme of learning for Men & Women with refreshments, cheesecake and guest speakers.

Motzei Shabbat **1st Night Shavuot** *Shabbat ends and start of Shavuot*

Candle lighting 10:29pm (candles may not be lit before this time) Ma'ariv 10pm

Sunday 9th June | 1st Day Shavuot

Shacharit 9:30am Torah Reading: **Rabbi Dovid Sher** and **Samuel Fine**

Reading of the Ten Commandments *approx 10:30am*

Children's Service 11am followed by a special Ice-Cream Kids Kiddush!

Community Cheesecake Kiddush *when service ends*.

Mincha/Ma'ariv 7:30pm

Candle lighting 2nd Day 10:30pm

Monday 10th June | 2nd Day Shavuot

Shacharit 9:30am Torah Reading: **Rabbi Dovid Sher** and **Samuel Fine**

Yizkor *approx 11:30am* **Community Cheesecake Kiddush** *when service ends*.

Mincha 9:15pm Ma'ariv 10:31pm *when Yom Tov Ends*

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 Thursday 11am-5pm Friday 9am-1pm Sunday 9.30am-12.30pm

Orders for ALL GOODS for Thursday collection MUST be placed by Monday 12 noon latest!