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**7 Nisan, 5781 • March 20, 2021**

### PARASHAT VAYIKRA

**Torah Reading:** Leviticus 1:1 - 5:26 Etz Hayim: Page 585  
**Haftarah Reading:** Isaiah 43:21 - 44:23 Etz Hayim: Page 606

#### Friday, March 19

Minchah/Kabbalat Shabbat ..... 6:45 p.m.  
Candlelighting ..... 7:10 p.m.

#### Saturday, March 20

Shabbat Shacharit ..... 9:30 a.m.  
Havdalah ..... 8:12 p.m.  
Zoom Havdalah ..... 8:25 p.m.

#### Sunday, March 21

Shacharit ..... 8:30 a.m.  
Minchah/Ma'ariv ..... 7:10 p.m.

#### Monday, March 22 - Wednesday, March 24

Shacharit ..... 7:30 a.m.  
Minchah/Ma'ariv ..... 7:10 p.m.

#### Thursday, March 25 - Fast of the Firstborn

Shacharit ..... 7:30 a.m.  
Minchah/Ma'ariv ..... 7:10 p.m.  
Sale of Chametz deadline ..... 8:00 p.m.  
Bedikat Chametz ..... after 8:05 p.m.

#### Friday, March 26

Shacharit ..... 7:30 a.m.  
Burning Chametz deadline ..... 12:20 p.m.  
Minchah/Kabbalat Shabbat ..... 6:50 p.m.  
Candlelighting ..... 7:19 p.m.

#### Saturday, March 27 - Erev Pesach

Shabbat Shacharit ..... 9:30 a.m.  
Deadline to eat Chametz ..... 11:16 a.m.  
Havdalah ..... 8:12 p.m.  
Candlelighting ..... 8:21 p.m.

#### First Seder

#### Sunday, March 28 - 1st Day of Pesach

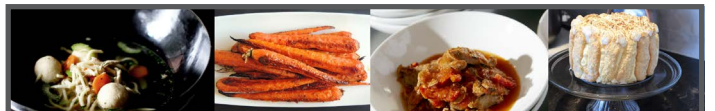
Shacharit ..... 9:30 a.m.  
Candlelighting ..... 8:23 p.m.

#### Second Seder

### "BEING SILLY WITH RABBI CUTLER" Join Rabbi Cutler for a silly pre-Passover session



Thursday, March 25 at 5:30 p.m.  
Open to all children and their families that want to have a little laugh before Passover. Click [HERE](#) to register and don't miss out on the fun!



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#### PESACH MID WEEK MENU - MARCH 30 & 31

Enjoy a casual dinner, prepared from our Passover Kitchen! Click [HERE](#) to view.

### 2021 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS

Thank you to our members who have already set up or paid their 2021 membership contributions. For those who have not, you may access the statement on your Shulcloud account by clicking [HERE](#). If you prefer we email your statement, please respond to [reception@adathisrael.com](mailto:reception@adathisrael.com). Thank you.



## THIS WEEK & ONGOING

### ADULT STUDY

Join **Hana Werner** for a **Zoom session** on Sunday, March 21 at 10:30 a.m. It is spring and we read the scroll, Song of Songs on Passover, The holiday of spring. This scroll is an amazing account of love, youth and the beauty of nature. It will be an eclectic session with Pessach, the Parashat, Shabbat Hagadol, and the integration of old and new ideas. If you have not already signed up, contact [alan@biz120.com](mailto:alan@biz120.com)

### BEYOND DEATH: JEWISH VISIONS OF WHAT COMES NEXT WITH RABBI ADAM CUTLER

Thursdays at 2:00 p.m. April 8, 22, 29.  
In this series, we will trace our religion's approaches to life after death from the Torah until today. Includes group study and opportunities for reflection on personal beliefs. Click [HERE](#) for more information.

### HIGHLIGHTS OF THE SEDER WITH YOUR CLERGY

Sunday, March 21 at 3:00 p.m.  
Join us live on Zoom to learn, sing & have fun at our Pesach seder Click [HERE](#) to register.

### HAVDALAH WITH OUR CLERGY

Saturday, March 20  
at 8:25 p.m.  
Click [HERE](#) to join us on Zoom for Havdalah.



### PARENTS SUPPORT GROUP CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES

Monday, March 22 from 1:00 - 2:00 p.m.  
Discussing the impact of the pandemic, and various topics related to caregivers supporting children with disabilities. Facilitated by Sabrina Propper, M.S.W., RSW and Mike Snizetsky, B.A. from Jewish Family and Child. Email [SPropper@jfundcs.com](mailto:SPropper@jfundcs.com) for more info.

### TEENS: NEED VOLUNTEER HOURS?

Connect with Israeli teens on a virtual tour of Israel while working on a video production and earn volunteer hours. Sunday, March 21 12:00 - 1:30 p.m. Moderated by **Yahav** and **Gur**, 2 recent Israeli high school graduates who planned to come to Canada this year as Shinshinim. Click [HERE](#) to register.

### BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND! EXTRAORDINARY JEWISH WOMEN ACROSS PLACE AND TIME: PART TWO

women  
of adath

Dr. Anna Urowitz-Freudenstein will present another series examining the lives of more extraordinary women you have probably never heard of.

Wednesdays from 2:00 - 3:00 p.m.

**March 31** Daughters of Zelophehad:  
Real Estate and Identity  
**April 7** Jewish Queens  
**April 21** Vows and Women: Pros and Cons  
**April 28** Strength and Mothers  
**May 5** Beruriah: Ancient Talmud Scholar  
Click [HERE](#) for more information

### PICTURE YOURSELF ON THE BIMAH HOW TO HAVE AN ALIYAH

Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m. March 23, April 6  
This mini-course will review the procedure of having an aliyah (ie being called to the Torah). No Hebrew knowledge required. Facilitated by **Cantor Ben Sharpe**

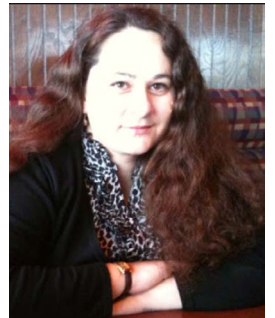
**WATCH FOR UPCOMING COURSES  
LATER THIS SPRING: Learning to  
Write a Dvar Torah**, facilitated by **Rabbi Adam Cutler**, **Learning to Chant  
Haftarah**, facilitated by **Cantor Ben  
Sharpe** and **Learning to Lead Minchah**,  
facilitated by **Rabbi David Seed**.

For information on all **Picture Yourself on the Bimah programs** please click [HERE](#).

Promotional Partner **Adath Israel Brotherhood**

### ELISA HATEGAN: FROM HATE TO LOVE

Wednesday, April 7 at 7:00 p.m. Former White Supremacist reveals how she helped bring down the Heritage Front. An amazing story from a woman who went from White Supremacist to embracing Judaism. Click [HERE](#) for more information and to register. Co-sponsored by *Four Elms Retirement Residence*.



### DONATIONS

Honour the memory of a loved one or celebrate a special occasion. We are happy to acknowledge your contribution with an e-card to the recipient. Please click [HERE](#) or visit [www.adathisrael.com/donations](http://www.adathisrael.com/donations)

## CHILDREN'S AUTHOR SERIES

**A joint program between Adath Israel, Beth Emeth, Beth Tikvah, and Beth David**

Wednesdays at 5:30 p.m. Mar 31, April 7, 14, 21  
Join us in celebrating Jewish authors from our community as we hear original stories and learn about the creative writing process. Click [HERE](#) to register.

## RABBI SCHILD'S 101ST BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION (3/9/2021)

**Although we couldn't be together at Adath, it was very nice to see so many familiar faces, thanks to the magic of Zoom.**

- Please click [HERE](#) to view the birthday Zoom celebration sponsored by the Christian Jewish Dialogue of Toronto.
- Please click [HERE](#) to view the virtual birthday card for Rabbi Schild.
- Please click [HERE](#) to view our special tribute page to Rabbi Erwin Schild.

Thank you again to all who participated and to Rabbi Seed for organizing this wonderful event.

## COVID VACCINE TOWN HALL

**Sponsored by Councillor James Pasternak**

Monday, March 22 at 6:30 p.m. Join doctors from North York General Hospital and North York Toronto Health Partners in a virtual Covid-19 Vaccine Town Hall. Learn about the efficacy of the vaccines, the rollout of the immunization and timelines. Click [HERE](#) to register.

## SIDDUR SIM SHALOM

We are now using *Siddur Sim Shalom*, which has the complete weekday service including English and is available online for participation in Zoom and Livestream services. New siddurim can be dedicated at a cost of \$54 and large print siddurim are available at \$118. Please contact the office. Click [HERE](#) for more information or contact Rabbi Seed at 416.635.5341 or [rabbiseed@adathisrael.com](mailto:rabbiseed@adathisrael.com)



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## ADATH ISRAEL SUPPORTING FAMILIES IN NEED

Thanks to a generous donor, Adath Israel is grateful to support families in need during COVID-19 by providing Shabbat meals. Please be in contact with Rabbi Cutler at 416.635.5343 or [rabbicutler@adathisrael.com](mailto:rabbicutler@adathisrael.com) if you or someone you know could use a little extra help.

## BEREAVEMENTS

To receive notification of bereavements that have taken place within the congregation forward your name and email address to [nancy@adathisrael.com](mailto:nancy@adathisrael.com) to be added to our Bereavement List.

## SPONSOR A SHABBAT BULLETIN

To sponsor the Shabbat Bulletin in honour of or in memory of a loved one, contact [ronly@adathisrael.com](mailto:ronly@adathisrael.com)

## SALE OF CHAMETZ 5781

All chametz (leavened products) – food not acceptable during Passover – should be thrown away, donated, or stored in a secure location and sold (mechirat chametz) before the holiday begins. Selling the chametz may be achieved by completing the form. Click [HERE](#) to sell your chametz no later than Thursday, March 25 at 8:00 p.m.

## BURNING OF CHAMETZ IN PARKING LOT (MARCH 26, 9:00 -10:00 a.m.)

To fulfill the mitzvah of chametz burning, please bring your *bready* products to the shul parking lot between 9 and 10 a.m. on Friday, March 26.



**This week, we commemorate the yahrzeits of the following people**

**7 NISAN - 13 NISAN, 5781**

**Saturday, March 20 – 7 Nisan**

Frances Abrams, sister of Seymour Haber  
Roslyn Backer, sister of Irving Lefler  
Esther Berk, mother of Susan Shuman  
Beatrice Brail, mother of Sid Brail  
Abraham Faith, father of Edith Gossin  
Zvi Hersh Israel Feldberg, father of  
Arie Feldberg  
Irvin Feldman, father of Robert Feldman  
Aba Gelman, father of Rick Gelman  
Desiree Grevler, sister of Melvyn Grevler  
Joseph Grossman, husband of  
Rochelle Grossman  
Gloria Harris, wife of Norman Harris  
David Ritz, father of Michael Ritz  
Albert Schelberg, father of Kenneth Schelberg  
& Elaine Levinoff  
Ted Sheres, brother of Harry Sheres  
Evelyn Stone, mother of Wendi Morein

**Sunday, March 21 – 8 Nisan**

Joseph Abraham, father of Hazel Wayne  
Max Applebaum, father of Mimi Bass  
George Bernard, father of Estelle Goldberg  
Sharon Farberman, wife of Leslie Farberman,  
sister of Linda Kornblum  
Gary Kershen, brother of Rebecca Hulbert  
Gerald Rose, father of David Rose

**Monday, March 22 – 9 Nisan**

Helen Biller, mother of Elsa Chandler  
Rose Jacobs, mother of Harry Fogul  
Elizabeth Ostreicher, mother of Miriam Lamasz  
Ida Roseman, mother of Morton Roseman  
Robert Slipacoff, father of Shelley Werger  
Sidney Weinberg, father of Rochelle Zwicker  
Sally White, sister of Sharon Grossman

**Tuesday, March 23 - 10 Nisan**

Harry Bernbaum, father of Martin Bernbaum  
Jacob Cole, father of Joe Cole  
Chava Jacobson, mother of Semon Jacobson  
Bernice Rochkin, sister of Harvey Fruitman  
Max Rotman, brother of Marian Bach

Malka Schidlow, sister of Fay Feig  
Dora Sztajman, mother of Susan Silver  
John Tobe, father of Cecile Posen  
Phil Wynn, father of Les Wynn

**Wednesday, March 24 – 11 Nisan**

May Cappell-Rodgers, mother of Lorne Cappell  
Gohar Eliav mother of Jack Eliav  
Nicole Friedman, daughter of Cheryl & Jack  
Friedman, sister of Monique Shapiro  
Doreen Goldblatt, mother of Elaine Lipman  
Jack Goldstein, father of Robin Goldstein  
Joseph Jordan, father of Patricia Altman  
Morris Mandelbaum, father of  
Harold Mandelbaum  
Louis Marshall, father of Marlene Tuchmayer  
Frances Nasimok, mother of Joel Nasimok  
Toby Rockfeld, mother of Shirley Granovsky  
Bessie Stopper mother of Rochelle Sufrin  
Beverley Tepperman, wife of Arnold Tepperman

**Thursday, March 25 – 12 Nisan**

Sarah Eisen, mother of Harvey Eisen  
Ernest Goodman, husband of Lynn Goodman  
Margaret Haber, mother of Judy Demone  
Peter Munk, brother of Paul Munk  
Fanny Rubin, mother of Lillian Wener  
Bertha Schnier, mother of Shirley Switzman  
Belle Siegel, mother of Beverley Cohen

**Friday, March 26 – 13 Nisan**

Michael Balaban, son of Sharon Balaban  
Edel Drenfeld, late husband of Bess Plosker  
Marta Fuchs, mother of Gertrude Speigel  
Frank Gordon, father of Allan Gordon  
Ida Green, mother of Cecile Freeman  
Gladys Levine, mother of Diane Brown  
Bertha Mandel, mother of Arthur Mandel  
Herbert Margolis, husband of Tillie Margolis  
Alter Nakelsky, father of David Nakelsky  
Aurelia Schatten, mother of Batia Bibas  
Marvin Zarnett, father of Rick Zarnett

**PARASHAT VAYIKRA**

Leviticus is a difficult book for a modern person to read with reverence and appreciation. Its main subject matter - animal offerings and ritual impurity - seems remote from contemporary concerns. Yet almost half of the 613 mitzvot of the Torah are found in this book, the text with which young children traditionally began their Jewish education. Our concern in reading Leviticus should be more than historical ("this is what our ancestors used to believe and practice"). It should be an effort to understand the religious needs that were met by these practices in ancient times, needs that we still confront today, and the religious ideas that were taught in the process.

*Taken from Etz Hayim Torah and Commentary*