



Friday Mincha	Friday Oneg	שבת Shacharit	שבת Mincha	שבת Ends	Horim V'Yeladim	Sunday Shacharit	Monday - RC Shacharit
 4.20PM	 8.00PM	 9.15AM	 4.28PM	 5.28PM	 6.20PM	 8.20AM in OYH	 7AM @ 55 Downage

Mazal Tov!

Mazal Tov to Chief Rabbi Ephraim and Valerie Mirvis on the occasion of Noam's aufruf this Shabbat and Noam's marriage to Tikva Shore next Wednesday in Israel.

Thank You!

The shul leadership team, on behalf of the whole community, would like to extend its sincere gratitude to Jonny and Alison Solomon and their family for their contribution to the shul since we started, and particularly during Jonny's recent tenure as Chairman. They have given of their time, opened up their home and supported the community in many different ways. The Solomon home has been the venue for a range of Magen Avot events, including shiurim and frequent minyanim, and we greatly appreciate all their generosity towards the kehilla. We wish them much hatzlacha in all their future endeavours.

Next Steps

Moving forward, the Magen Avot Council has commenced a process to select a Chair and Vice-Chair and aim to announce their appointment within four weeks. There will of course be an election for honorary officer positions at the next AGM.

We are looking to fill the 2 positions of Chair and Vice Chair on the Magen Avot Executive. If you are interested, please contact one of the members of the Executive by 7 February.

New Learning Opportunity

Following the acclaimed Tzurba m'Rabanan program, Rabbi Kenigsberg continues a series of shiurim on **Hilchot Kashrut** this **Wednesday night**. This is a great opportunity to join a weekly shiur covering an extremely practical topic. The shiur is at the earlier time of **8.45pm** at Alei Tzion. Men and women welcome. This week's topic is "Parev foods and davar charif".

Communal Oneg and Lunch (see attached poster)

Rav Gideon Weitzman is our scholar-in-residence this Shabbat. On **Friday night** there will be an **Oneg Shabbat** at **8.00pm** at Family Herman (85 Finchley Lane). On **Shabbat** there will be a communal lunch in shul after the main Kiddush. We look forward to seeing everyone at these exciting events.

Mental Health Shabbat

Motzei Shabbat 1 February: there will be a talk at **7.30pm** in Shul on: "How Families in Torah illuminate our understanding of Mental Health". There will be 3 speakers (Dr Fiona Taylor, Hillel Mirvis and Dr Richard Taylor) and a Q&A will follow.

Save the Date

The Neshot Chayil Shabbat will take place on **7/8 February** where will be honouring Joy Kay. There will be an additional event on **Sunday 9 February** - a fruit-carving workshop in honour of Tu b'Shvat. It will take place from **1.00pm** to 3.00pm (venue to be confirmed). Places are limited to 20 women and the cost is £15 per person. To book and pay: <http://www.theus.org.uk/MAFruitCarving>.

Additional Information

Lighting	Earliest time for lighting is 3.41pm Shabbat starts at 4.20pm
Shema	Sof Zman Kriat Shema at 10.01am
Chabura	Rav Gideon Weitzman at 9.00am
Leining	Dan Artman
Children	Magen Minis and Maxis at 10.45am Magen Munchies this week is sponsored by Betty and Jony Gastwirth to mark the yahrzeit of Betty's father Ahron Ben Mordechai. Y@MA will be back this week run by Ronnie Langerman . NB: Shabbat 1 February there will be a bumper Kiddush to celebrate the first anniversary of Y@MA!
Hazkarah	Monday 27 January is Holocaust Memorial Day, and this year marks the 75th Anniversary of the liberation of Auschwitz-Birkenau where over a million victims died. We will be commemorating this event with a hazkarah in shul for victims of the Shoah.
Molad	Rosh Chodesh Shevat Yiheye Beyom Hasheini haba aleinu letovah. The Molad will take place next Shabbat morning at 8.46am and 9 chalakim.
Drasha	Rav Gideon Weitzman (Shabbat Morning and Lunch)
Kiddush	This week the Kiddush is kindly sponsored anonymously. The Whiskies of the Week will be a selection of fine single malts.
Shiur	Rabbi Kenigsberg (after Mincha)
Horim V'Yeladim	Horim V'Yeladim meets this week at 6.20pm Last week's session was kindly sponsored by Nadine and Adam Kay .

Scholar-in-Residence

RABBI GIDEON WEITZMAN

Rabbi Weitzman is the Head of the English Speaking Section of the Puah Institute for Fertility and Medicine in Accordance with Halacha in Israel. Originally from Britain, he studied in Yeshivat Beit El and received Rabbinic Ordination from the Israeli Chief Rabbinate. He is also a visiting associate principal in the Albert Einstein College of Medicine in New York and a regular contributor to the annual halachic compendium Techumin. Amongst his many roles, Rabbi Weitzman is Rabbi of the Merkaz Mod'In Synagogue and a popular speaker who is well known internationally for his brilliant and thought provoking presentations.



Speaking engagements

- **Friday Night - Oneg Shabbat**
"Using Ancient Texts to Solve Modern Medical Dilemmas"
8.00pm at the home of Family Herman, 85 Finchley Lane
- **Shabbat Morning - before Davening**
Parsha Chabura
- **Shabbat Morning - before Mussaf**
Drasha - "The Message of the Plagues"
- **Shabbat Lunch**
"Have we gone too far? Playing God and Modern Medical Treatments". Followed by Q&A.





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