



סוכות / Succot

9 - 11 October 2020 | 21 - 23 Tishrei 5781



Shemini Atzeret and Simchat Torah Guidelines

- The earliest time for candle lighting on Friday is 5.12pm and no later than **6.06pm**. The bracha concludes *lehadlik ner* shel Shabbat v'shel Yom Tov. Shehecheyanu is also recited. (Remember also to light a **2-day candle**.)
- The meals of Shmini Atzeret should take place in the succah, however the bracha of Leishev BaSukkah is not recited. If it is raining, there is no requirement to wait or go into the succah and one may eat indoors.
- Shacharit will begin at **9.30am** from *"R' Yishmael omer"* and Pesukei deZimra will be said in shul as usual. Full Hallel is recited after Shacharit.
- Megillat Kohelet is usually read on Shabbat Chol Hamoed Sukkot, and this year is pushed off to Shmini Atzeret (as there is no Shabbat Chol Hamoed). In order to maintain social distancing and avoid prolonging the service, <u>Kohelet</u> will be read <u>before Mincha</u> this year (see times above).
- Yizkor is recited on Shmini Atzeret. As on Yom Kippur, the entire congregation will remain in shul in order to maintain social distancing.
- Tefillat Geshem is recited as part of Mussaf and from this point on משיב הרוח ומוריד הגשם said during the Amidah.
- No work or preparation may be done for the second day before nightfall at **7.05pm**. Candles should also be lit from
- this time (but not before) from a **pre-existing flame**. Kiddush for the second night includes the brachot of **Meorei Ha'Eish**, **Havdalah** (from Shabbat to Yom Tov) and
- **Shehecheyanu** (there is <u>no requirement</u> to have a new fruit). Unfortunately, due to safety considerations and social distancing requirements, we are unable to perform hakafot in the usual manner this year. Both at night and daytime, hakafot will take place in a reduced manner (only those holding the sifrei Torah will perform the circuits and only one person is able to handle each sefer Torah for the duration of the hakafot). Unlike in other years when all men receive an Aliyah, only a limited number of call-ups will be made to the Torah. The traditional *Aliyah* of *Kol Hanearim* will take place, however children will remain in their seats together with their parents, rather than crowding together at the Bimah.
- Additionally, a number of opportunities for *limmud Torah* have been added to our service throughout the day, . including a siyum and short divrei Torah following Maariv, a chabura at 9.15am on Simchat Torah and divrei Torah from members of the community following Mincha on Simchat Torah afternoon. Please show your support! The traditional presentation to the Chattanim will be made
- following Mussaf on Simchat Torah morning. No lunch will be served this year.
- Yom Tov goes out on Sunday night at 7.03pm. Only the brachot of Borei Pri HaGafen and HaMavdil are said at Havdalah.
- is now said in the Amidah and we משיב הרוח ומוריד הגשם continue saying ותן ברכה.

Wishing you all Chag Sameach! Rabbi Kenigsberg.

Mazal Tov!

Mazal Tov to Julian Maurer and David Berke on being given the honour of being our Chatan Torah and Chatan Bereishit this year. We wish them and their families a hearty Mazal Tov!

Mazal Tov to Shoina and David Kass on the birth of a granddaughter, a daughter to Shoina's son Rabbi Uriel and Jessica Debson.

Mazal Tov to Joy and Mel Kay on the Bat Mitzvah of their Israeli granddaughter Neriah who will be celebrating it in quarantine in Hendon.

Additional Information

- Please note that due to increased numbers of people booked for services over Succot we will be conducting 1. services in a single extended marguee in the playground.
- Leil Hoshana Raba Event: On Thursday 8 October at 8.30pm there will be a special event on: "The Centrality of Celebration" mini-shiurim by Rav Greg Bank, Rabbi Kenigsberg and Rabbanit Laura Silbermann exploring happiness in Judaism. This will be followed by a virtual tour at 9.15pm by Nachliel Selavan on: "Sukkot in Jerusalem through Art and Archaeology". Details on our poster below.



- On Hoshana Raba Avidan Weisz is providing Covid secure Hoshana Bundles (price TBC). Please bring cash and coins. The service on Hoshana Raba will take around 90 minutes.
- On Motzei Shabbat there will be reduced Hakafot, and sealed packages for the children to take home (no personal food to be brought in). There will also be an auction conducted by our Chairman. At the end of the evening there will be a short siyum/presentation to celebrate the communal learning of Mesechet Rosh Hashanah and the end of the 3-T Project.
- On Simchat Torah morning there will be a **Chabura** given by **Daniel Greenberg** before davening at **9.15am**. After Mussaf the Rabbi will make brief certificate presentations to the Chattanim who will both give short Divrei Torah. There will be a **children's service** on Simchat Torah at
- 6. 11.00am in the Nancy Reuben school hall for children who are already booked for shul (up to and including age 7). NB: Social distance will be kept between family bubbles.
- 7 Kisharon would like to involve our community in a new initiative helping to engage people they support. After Succot, they would like us to donate our Etrogim for group workshops. The Etrogim will be costed in cloves to create Besamim (spices) – part of Kisharon's Havdalah pack. The packs will be available for purchase for a Simcha, and in the Kisharon Gift & Homeware Store, Equal. Your donated Etrogim should be deposited in a box at the front door of Family Adler, 33 Rowsley Avenue, Hendon.

Speakers over Yom Tov

- Drasha before Mussaf: Shemini Atzeret: Rabbi Kenigsberg
- Shiur Mincha/Maariv: Shemini Atzeret: Ian Gamse Shiur Mincha/Maariv: ST: Ashley Katz, Moshe Langerman

Yahrzeit **Tuesday 13 October** 25 Tishrei David Kass Son





Magen Avot launched its 3T Project on Rosh Chodesh Av 5780.

The project continued up until Yom Kippur, encompassing activities related to the '3 Ts' of Teshuva, Tefilla and Tzedaka.

It has provided the community with a spring board to unite in giving a proactive and positive response to the uncertain and difficult times we are going through. Below is a summary of our achievements:

TESHUVA

TEFILLA

TZEDAKA

7 shiurim from world-class international speakers

Community-wide siyum of Masechet Rosh Hashanah

Facilitated individual learning sessions

Yamim Noraim Tefilla Companion authored by a range of members of the community

Cookbook of **25** budget recipes for GIFT families

Packing of food boxes at the GIFT warehouse for needy families

In collaboration with GIFT, close to **£6000** raised to provide freshly made hot meals to **750** people over Rosh Hashanah.

We would like to thank the organisers for their hard work, as well as the entire community for participating.