











Shabbat 31 July 2021 | 22 Av 5781

Parashat Eikev / פרשת עֵיקֵב

Friday Mincha	Light From	שבת Starts	Sof Zman Kriat Shema	שבת Chabura	שבת Shacharit	שבת Mincha	שבת Ends	Sunday Shacharit
 7.15PM	 7.16PM	 8.38PM	 9.14AM	 ON BREAK	 9.30AM	 8.47PM	 9.47PM	 8.20AM

Shabbat 31 July

Book seats for Shabbat: <https://tinyurl.com/MABookSeats>.

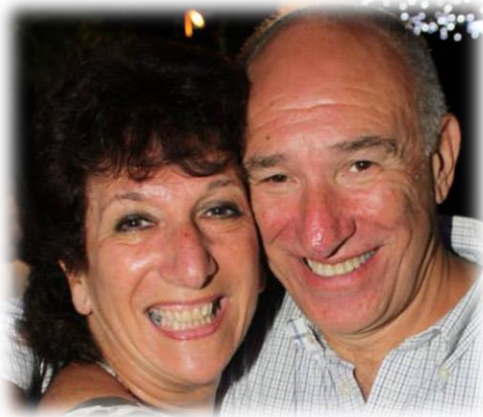
Sof Zman Kriat Shema is until **9.14am** and please note that the **Shabbat Chabura** will be on break for the summer and will return at the end of August.

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We are looking to create a third children's service (Magen Midis) which will cater for children from year 1 until the end of year 3. If you or your teenager is interested in running this, please be in touch with Patti Adler on 07507 304 903.

Leining: **Dan Artman**

This week the Kiddush is kindly sponsored by Joy and Mel Kay to mark their forthcoming Aliyah. They will be hosting the Kiddush downstairs in the school playground. We invite everyone to join Joy and Mel after services.



On **Shabbat 31 July** at **6.30pm** we are hosting Gila Fine for a shiur on: "He Who Causes Me Suffering: The Death and Rebirth of Rav. What caused the political feud between the rabbis of Israel and Babylon?" at the home of Family Katz (45 Brampton Grove). Book here: <https://tinyurl.com/y4f7cvsu>.

Chief editor of Maggid Books and a teacher of Aggada, exploring tales of the Talmud via philosophy, literary criticism, psychoanalysis, and pop-culture. Gila is faculty member at the Pardes Institute of Jewish Studies, the Nachshon Project, and Amudim Seminary, and has taught thousands at conferences/communities across the world. Haaretz called her "a young woman on her way to becoming one of the more outstanding Jewish thinkers of the next generation."

The Shiur after Mincha this week will be given by **Ian Gamse** on the topic of "Get refusal - some questions for the Beth Din".

Holiday Period

Please note that Family Kenigsberg will be away over the next two weeks. Rabbi Kenigsberg will still be available for any urgent needs or questions by WhatsApp on 07891 988 201.

HaMagen

We are looking for contributions for the next HaMagen magazine. Please email Julian Pollard with your suggestions: hamagen@magenavot.com.

Levaya/Shiva

The levaya for Anthony Newgrosh's father took place on Sunday in Manchester. Shiva will be in London on Thursday night at 7.30pm at 6 Robin Lane, NW4 1EU. Rav Silverman will lead the service. We wish the whole family a Chayim Aruchim.

Yahrzeits

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Mazal Tov!

Mazal Tov to Joy and Mel Kay on their forthcoming Aliyah. We are so sorry to see them go but we look forward to seeing them both for regular visits in Hendon.

Mazal Tov to Esther and Simon Bentley and Linda and Johnny Wachsmann on the birth of a granddaughter, a daughter for Tanya and Eli Wachsmann.

Yamim Noraim – Book ASAP!

We are now taking bookings for the Yamim Noraim. We are pleased to confirm that services will be once again held in a large outdoor marquee in the playground behind Od Yosef Hai. Subject to prevailing rules at the time, we anticipate that singing will be possible. Members of Magen Avot are eligible to apply for seats free of charge. Seats are also available for children of members under the age of 18 for a contribution of £18 per seat. Non-members are able to purchase seats at the cost of £100 for adults and £30 for children (under 18). Please note that unfortunately we're not able to accept charity cheques. Both members and non-members should submit their booking straight away. However, in order to give priority to members, we will be allocating seats first to members who have applied by 13th August 2021. Any remaining seats will then be allocated to non-members who have applied before that date on a first-come first-served basis. We will of course make every effort to accommodate everyone who applies before the deadline as we have in previous years. Important note: members and non-members who apply after 13th August 2021 will not be allocated fixed seats but, space permitting, will be welcome to use an area of non-reserved seating on a first-come first-served basis. If you would like to discuss any financial matter in strict confidence, please contact Cecil Taitz whose email address is treasurer@magenavot.com. Please use our online booking form to submit your booking. Wishing everyone a ketiva vechatima tova. <https://tinyurl.com/capd43jt>

Message from the Chairman and Rabbi

Last week marked the beginning of stage 4 of the Government's Covid roadmap, with the majority of legal requirements for social distancing having come to an end on July 19. Nonetheless, we are all too aware that we are currently in the midst of a third wave, as cases continue to climb, and severe illnesses and hospitalisations are on the rise too (albeit thankfully at a much lower rate than in previous waves). Our guidelines for shul services in the weeks ahead therefore reflect this reality. Whilst we are all eager for a return to completely "normal" shul life as quickly as possible, we need to proceed gradually and with caution. As the Chief Medical Officer and others have made clear, an end to legal requirements of distancing does not indicate an end to the pandemic, and a level of caution, particularly in enclosed spaces, remains a sensible and responsible course of action. It has been wonderful to welcome so many people back to shul in recent weeks and months, some after prolonged absences, and we trust that all will play their part in ensuring that the shul environment remains one in which all who wish to do so feel comfortable to attend. These guidelines have been formulated based on government and US guidance and expert medical opinion. As the situation is constantly changing, they will be kept under regular review, and all will be informed as and when changes occur.

- Spacing between households will be reduced from 2m to 1m
- Doors/windows will be opened to provide max air flow
- Encourage face masks indoors particularly for singing
- All required to use hand sanitizer upon entry/exit from shul
- Communal Siddurim/Chumashim are available for use for those who do not wish to bring their own – please use hand sanitizer before taking and upon returning them
- The procedure for Aliyot remains unchanged at present
- Anyone currently ill with Covid, experiencing symptoms or otherwise required to self-isolate should not attend.

We thank everyone for your patience and understanding over the past year, for your continued support and co-operation and we look forward to (continuing to) see you in shul!



Shabbat 7 August 2021 29 Av 5781 (Shabbat Mevarchim)					Parashat Re'eh / פרשת ראה			
Light From	Friday Mincha	שבת Starts	Sof Zman Kriat Shema	שבת Chabura	שבת Shacharit	שבת Mincha	שבת Ends	Sunday Shacharit
7.06PM	7.15PM	8.26PM	9.19AM	ON BREAK	9.30AM	8.33PM	9.33PM	8.20AM

Shabbat 7 August

Book seats for Shabbat: <https://tinyurl.com/MABookSeats>.

Sof Zman Kriat Shema is until **9.19am** and please note that the **Shabbat Chabura** will be on break for the summer and will return at the end of August.

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Leining: **TBC** | Speaker: **Glenn Bazalel**

Shabbat Mevarchim:

Rosh Chodesh Ellul Yihey beyom Harishon u'veyom Hasheni Haba Aleinu Letova.

ראש חדש אלול יהיה מחר ביום ראשון
וביום שני הבא עלינו ועל כל ישראל לטובה:

Molad:

Sunday 8 August at 10.43am and 10 chalakim.

המולד יהיה מחר ביום ראשון, ארבעים ושלש דקות ועשרה חלקים אחרי עשר בבוקר.

Shiur after Mincha: **Julian Gilbey**

Yahrzeit

The following member is observing Yahrzeit during the forthcoming week

12 August 2021	4 Elul 5781	Melvin Kay	Father
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We wish him and his family a Chayim Aruchim

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Yomim Noraim Booking

<https://tinyurl.com/capd43jt>

DEADLINE: 13 August 2021



Shabbat 14 August 2021 6 Ellul 5781					Parashat Shoftim / פרשת שופטים			
Light From	Friday Mincha	שבת Starts	Sof Zman Kriat Shema	שבת Chabura	שבת Shacharit	שבת Mincha	שבת Ends	Sunday Shacharit
6.56PM	7.15PM	8.13PM	9.24AM	ON BREAK	9.30AM	8.18PM	9.18PM	8.20AM

Shabbat 14 August

Book seats for Shabbat: <https://tinyurl.com/MABookSeats>.

Sof Zman Kriat Shema is until **9.24am** and please note that the **Shabbat Chabura** will be on break for the summer and will return at the end of August.

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Leining: **Shimon Levy**

Yahrzeit

The following members are observing Yahrzeit during the forthcoming week

18 August 2021	10 Ellul	Jack White	Mother
19 August 2021	11 Ellul	Sharon Faith	Father

We wish them and their families a Chayim Aruchim