



Shabbat 8 June 2024 / 2 Sivan 5784

Parashat Bamidbar / פרשת במדבר

Friday Mincha	Light From	שבת	SZ Kriat Shema	שבת Chabura	שבת Shacharit	Minis /Maxis	שבת Mincha	Shiur	שבת Ends	Sunday Shacharit
7.15PM	7.32PM	9.00PM	8.48AM	9.15AM	9.30AM	10.45AM	9.20PM	~9.50PM	10.20PM	8.20AM

### Mazal Tov!

Mazal Tov to Chaya and Moshe Langerman on the birth of a grandson, a son to Inbar and Natan Macabi.

### Shabbat 8 June

**Chabura:** Daniel Ehreich | **Leining:** Nuti Amar

Minis/Maxis at **10.45am** | Y@MA after Kedusha of Mussaf

**Shabbat Drasha:** Rabbi Yoni Golker

This week's Kiddush is sponsored **by Joan and Julian Pollard** to celebrate their wedding anniversary. Mazal Tov!

**Post-Mincha:** Rabbi Golker on: "Themes in the Book of Ruth".

### Sunday 9 June – Annual General Meeting (AGM)

The following members were nominated unopposed and are confirmed in their positions (there will be no election):-

- Chair (unopposed): Simon Bentley
- Vice Chair (unopposed): Patti Adler
- Financial Rep (currently in 2 year role): Baruch Zekaria
- 2 Wardens (unopposed): Daniel Ehreich and Elkan Adler
- Women's Officer (unopposed): Chaya Langerman
- 4 Male Members of the Council (unopposed): David Berke, Julian Maurer, Julian Pollard, Moshe Langerman
- 5 Female Members of the Council (unopposed): Sara Spizzichino, Fiona Taylor, Leila Behrman, Tali Diamant, Tamara Nisner
- 1 Board of Deputies Rep (Unopposed): Julian Pollard

Please note that all Honorary Officers and Synagogue Council Members are to serve for one year. This year the AGM will be held on Sunday 9 June at **6.00pm** in the shul. The reports of the Chairman and Financial Representative will be available to members at the meeting. Your view is important to us. Please join us for the AGM.

After the AGM there will be a Mincha/Maariv service at 7.30pm at the home of Family Katz followed by a BBQ to celebrate Yom Yerushalayim. The BBQ is fully sponsored, and we therefore ask that attendees make a suggested donation of £30 per person to the shul when booking, with all donations going to the Shul. Book at: <https://tinyurl.com/mabbq24> as spaces are limited to fifty people. As this event is fully sponsored we can accept donations via charity vouchers.

### Tuesday 11 June

Magen Avot invites you to an inspirational learning programme on the first night of Shavuot. See our poster on the back of this newsletter for further details of our amazing line-up of speakers!



↑↑ MA's rally last Sunday with thanks to Adam Kay! ↑↑

### Sunday 16 June

The Matzeiva for the mother of Daniel Greenberg (Dr Gillian Greenberg o'h) will take place on Sunday 16 June at 1.00pm at Bushey Old Cemetery. We wish Daniel and the whole family Chayim Aruchim.

### Tuesday 18 June

Weekly Tehillim session at Raleigh Close with Mincha at **7.30pm**, Maariv at **7.45pm**, and Tehillim at **8.00pm**.

### Shabbat 22 June

The "Get to know the community" event returns! This popular Shabbat lunch initiative takes place on Shabbat 22 June enabling all of us to meet members of the community, or get to know them better, by either offering to host lunch at home or accept hospitality. There is no cost involved and it is open to everyone. Whether you'd like to be a guest or a host (or don't mind being either), simply open the link at <https://tinyurl.com/mamyc24> and fill out the form. For questions call **Patti Adler** on 07507 304 903 or **Toni Zekaria** on 07956 844 193. Bookings close on Friday 7 June. For this event, we kindly request that, instead of giving a gift, members make a donation to their favourite charity.

### Sunday 23 June

The MA Women's Circle returns with a new series of discussions! The first session is titled: "Can We Do It All? Balancing a career as an Orthodox Jewish woman". This will be hosted at the home of Anouk Abrahams and is organised by Eve Grubin-Brookes, Harriet Morris-Sloan and Anouk Abrahams at [redacted] at **8.00pm**. After a brief panel of speakers there will be an engaging discussion with the women present who would like to participate. This series provides support and open discussions for women in the community and seeks to help them strengthen themselves and their families. RSVP to Eve Grubin-Brookes by text or call on **07885 774 787**.

### BAT MITZVAH COURSE - September 2024 to July 2025













Join Magen Avot's 2024/2025 Bat Mitzvah course. Inspiring teachers, fun environment, source-based learning, and interactive activities. Learn about key themes in Judaism and their relevance to our lives. Sessions and workshops by **Rebbetzen Dina Golker** and other inspiring teachers. Workshops with Yad Vashem, GIFT and more. 10 Sessions overall. 1½ Hours per session. **September 2024 - July 2025 (7.30-9.00pm)**. Sessions every month during term time (in Hendon). All Year 7 girls welcome (both members and non-members). Course Price: £100 (Members) £120 (Non-Members). To sign up, please visit: <https://tinyurl.com/batmitzvah2024>. Limited space - book now to avoid disappointment. For more info please email Patti Adler: [pattischustermann@yahoo.com](mailto:pattischustermann@yahoo.com).

### BAR MITZVAH COURSE - October 2024 to May 2025

Join this years Bar Mitzvah course for Year 8 boys led monthly on Monday nights by Rabbi Yoni Golker. Topics include: Learning to Lead Tefillah, Tefillin and Torah Workshop, British Museum Tour, Mental Health sessions, Meaning behind the Mitzvot and so much more!! Price: £100 (Members) £120 (Non-Members). Sign up at: <https://tinyurl.com/barmitzvah2024>. Limited space - book now to avoid disappointment. For more info please email Rabbi Yoni Golker at: [rabbi@magenavot.com](mailto:rabbi@magenavot.com).

### Yahrzeit

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Erev Shavuot – Tuesday 11 June				1 <sup>st</sup> Day Shavuot – Wednesday 12 June				2 <sup>nd</sup> Day Shavuot – Thursday 13 June			
Mincha/Maariv	Light from	Light by	Tikkun Leil	Shacharit 1	Shacharit 2	Mincha/Maariv	Light from	Shacharit	Yizkor	Mincha/Shiur	YT Ends
 7.15PM	 7.34PM	 9.03PM	 POSTER	 3.09AM	 9.30AM	 7.15PM	 7.40PM	 9.30AM	 >10.30AM	 9.15PM	 10.24PM

- **Reminder:** Light a 2-day candle on the first night (Tuesday) in order to light from a pre-existing flame on the second night.
- **Tikkun Leil (all night learning):** will be taking place once again this year in Shul. There are three programmes. The first is for Children in Years 5 and 6 and the second is our Y@MA programme. For the main programme we are excited to hear from Shira Jackson, Rabbi Yoni Golker, Rabbi Dr Rafi Zarum, Rabbi Glenn Bezalel and Chief Rabbi Sir Ephraim Mirvis.
- **Shavuot Day 2 Post Mincha Speaker:** The Shiur on second day will be given by guest speaker **Rabbi Doniel Grunewald** who will speak on: **“Autonomous Collisions & AI in Halacha: Unpacking Responsibility in Driverless Car”**. Rabbi Doniel Grunewald, Director of JDS, has over 20 years of experience in Rabbinical activities. He is fully trained in Beth Din Arbitration and has developed a professional approach to Beth Din Advocacy through extensive experience in Dinei Torah and ADR. Additionally, Rabbi Grunewald is an accredited Civil and Commercial Mediator to international standards. He has completed a workshop in Workplace Mediation and regularly attends CPD events. He maintains and develops the quality of his work through contact and support from respected Dayanim, Rabbinical scholars, and mediators in the UK.

**Guidelines from Rabbi Yoni Golker**

**First Night:** Although the common practice is to bring in Shabbat and Yom Tov early (particularly in the summer months), many have the custom not to begin Ma’ariv until after nightfall on the first night of Shavuot. This is due to the fact that the Torah requires us to count "שבע שבתות תמימות" – “seven complete weeks” from Pesach to Shavuot, and waiting until after nightfall would ensure not to detract from the “completeness” – “temimot” of the 7 weeks of the Omer count. According to the Taz and the Mishnah Berurah, Ma’ariv should therefore be delayed until after nightfall. The Magen Avraham, by contrast, omits any mention of Ma’ariv and requires only that Kiddush be made after nightfall. Other authorities question the need to apply the principle of “temimot” (which is not mentioned in most earlier sources) and some hold it preferable to bring in Yom Tov earlier in order to add from chol to kodesh. Where delaying the Yom Tov meal would make it difficult to enjoy and fulfill the mitzvah of Simchat Yom Tov, this should also be considered. Many authorities therefore hold that whilst preferable where possible to delay Ma’ariv and Kiddush until nightfall, where this is difficult one may daven and bring in Yom Tov earlier. There would still be a strong preference to wait until shkiah before making Kiddush and partaking of the meal. (Regardless of the above discussion, Yom Tov candles should still be lit before 9.03pm and no forbidden melacha may be performed from then on). At Magen Avot we will be davening Mincha/Ma’ariv at the usual time of **7.15pm**. It is preferable to wait until shkiah at **9.17pm** before making Kiddush (or for those who wish to wait until nightfall **10.23pm**) As noted above, where waiting would prevent one from having a proper Yom Tov meal and diminish from Simchat Yom Tov, it is not required.

**Second Night:** There is a general prohibition to prepare from one day of Yom Tov to the next. One would therefore be forbidden to perform any preparations on the first day of Yom Tov for a second day Yom Tov meal taking place after nightfall. This is our general practice on other Chagim. Since Shavuot takes place in the summer months when nightfall occurs very late, we will be bringing in the second day early, as on a regular Shabbat. Mincha will take place at **7.15pm** followed immediately by Ma’ariv. Candles may be lit from **7.40pm**, followed by Kiddush and the Yom Yov meal. Since the Yom Tov meal is eaten whilst it is still daylight, preparation can be made in the afternoon, as it is technically considered part of the first day. If however one waited until nightfall to daven, then all preparations for the second day would have to be delayed until after **10.23pm**.


**On behalf of Rabbi and Rebbetzen Golker, the Executive and the Council, we would like to wish all our members a Chag Shavuot Sameyach.**

### TIKKUN LEIL SHAVUOT 5784

Magen Avot invites you to an inspirational learning programme on the first night of Shavuot, Tuesday 11 June. Refreshments will be served. All are welcome.


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11.30PM  
- 12.05AM  
**BREAK**




**Shira Jackson**  
"The Man Who Sold the Torah".

12.15AM  
- 12.50AM  
**BREAK**




**Rabbi Yoni Golker**  
"Shavuot Revelations: Unlocking the Essence of Geirut, the Conversion process, and Jewish Identity".

1.00AM  
- 1.35AM  
**BREAK**




**Rabbi Dr Rafi Zarum**  
"Between Worlds: Did Moshe go to Heaven to receive the Torah?".

1.45AM  
- 2.20AM  
**BREAK**



**Rabbi Glenn Bezalel**  
"When Halakha and Ethics Clash".


2.30AM  
- 3.05AM  
SHACHARIT 3.09AM



**Chief Rabbi Sir Ephraim Mirvis**  
"Tikva!".

**CHILDREN'S (YEARS 5 & 6) TIKKUN LEIL**


7.30PM  
- 9.30PM



**Aliza Spizzichino & Eliana Kienwald**  
"Scoops of Torah: A Sweet Night of Learning and Fun!".

**Y@MA TIKKUN LEIL**

11.30pm  
- 12.30am



**Sophie Harris & Shira Neville**  
Magen Avot Youth Directors  
Rabbi Golker will be running a Q&A between 11.30pm and 12.00am  
Ice-cream will also be provided for this event!

Q&A

**FOR YEAR 8 BOYS - October 2024 - May 2025**

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