













Magen Avot



Shabbat 20 September 2025 / 27 Elul 5785

Parashat Nitzavim / פרשת נצבים

Light From	Friday Mincha	שבת	שבת Chabura	שבת Shacharit	SZ Kriat Shema	Minis /Maxis	שבת Mincha	שבת Ends	Sunday Selichot+
									
5.49PM	6.50PM	6.52PM	9.15AM	9.30AM	9.45AM	10.45AM	6.51PM	7.51PM	7.50AM 8.20AM

Shabbat 20 September

Chabura: Hillel Mirvis @ 9.15am

Magen Minis and Magen Maxis continues this week with more fabulous activities. Don't forget to get those Magen Medals to redeem at the Magen Market! Please join us from **10.45am**!

Y@MA takes place at the usual time after Kedusha of Mussaf.



Y@MA PRESENTS

Rosh Hashana Q&A with Rabbi Golker!

Shabbat morning 20th September
Get deep, get thinking...

This week's Y@MA is kindly sponsored by **Family Morris-Sloane** to celebrate Imogen's birthday. Mazal Tov!

Shabbat Drasha: Rabbi Yoni Golker

This week's Kiddush is kindly sponsored by **Joan and Julian Pollard** to celebrate Joan's birthday. Mazal Tov!

Post-Mincha Shiur: Rabbi Dr Glenn Bezalel

Sunday 21 September

We are looking for volunteers to help set up the hall for the Yamim Noraim next Sunday evening. Please join us from **7.15pm** to lend a hand – all help will be greatly appreciated.

Sunday 30 November

The US is offering free bereavement training. We already have four female volunteers from Magen Avot, but we are still looking for at least one male to join. The two-session course (30 November & 7 December, 10.30am–4.00pm at Mill Hill Synagogue) will equip you to support our community in times of loss. To take part, please contact David Berke.

New Community Initiative

We have launched a new initiative to deepen ties through shared meals on Shabbat and Yom Tov. A number of families have asked the Shul to help them reach out to people they don't know well enough yet, and to fix that through shared meals together. Patti Adler will be our shadchanit, matching hosts with guests. Please reach out to Patti by email if you would like to host: vicechair@magenavot.com.

Mazal Tov!

Mazal Tov to this year's Chattanim: **Daniel Greenberg CB** (Chatan Torah) and **Rafi Kleiman** (Chatan Bereishit). We wish them and their families a hearty Mazal Tov!

HaMagen

The Rosh Hashana Edition of HaMagen will be available in Shul from first night Rosh Hashana. Feel free to pick up a copy to take home and keep. Details of this year's Kol Nidre Appeal will be featured in the magazine.

Y@MA+



Message for Parents

We're delighted to welcome both children and adults to our services at Magen Avot! To help maintain a warm and respectful atmosphere, we will set up a multi-purpose room as a space for children. Please remember that a parent must stay with them in this room at all times. For children who are not using this area, we kindly ask that they remain seated with their parents throughout the service. If your child is making noise or needs attention, even during your own private Amida, please do step away and tend to them. We encourage everyone to supervise their own children, limiting movement between the men's and women's sections to avoid distracting others. To keep our space comfortable for everyone, we also ask that footballs are not brought along, and scooters are parked on arrival and not used in the playground. We truly value a sense of community, and if adults would like to have conversations, we kindly request that you wait for a break or step outside. Likewise, if little ones get a bit too noisy or need a quick break, stepping outside for a moment can ensure the service remains a positive experience for all. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding!

Yahrzeits








22/09	29 Elul	Jay Schechtel	Sister
25/09	3 Tishri	Sharon Faith	Mother
25/09	3 Tishri	Baruch Zekaria	Mother
29/09	7 Tishri	Belinda Abramowitz	Grandmother
30/09	8 Tishri	Sandra Samad	Father
01/10	9 Tishri	Marian Taitz	Mother
03/10	11 Tishri	Moshe Langerman	Grandmother

Shiva Notice: We are saddened to inform the community of the passing of Mario Spizzichino z"l, beloved father of our member Marco Spizzichino. Marco will be sitting Shiva at 28 Johns Avenue NW4 on Sunday 21 September: 4.30pm – 6.30pm (visiting), 6.30pm (Mincha/Maariv) and 8.00pm – 9.30pm (visiting). Also on Monday 22 September: 6.30am (Selichot/Shacharit). Marco will get up from Shiva shortly after Shacharit. We wish Marco and his whole family Chayim Aruchim.



Tuesday 23 September 2025 / 1 Tishrei 5786

Rosh Hashana 2025 / 5786 ראש השנה

Monday Light From	Monday Mincha	Yom Tov Starts	Tue/Wed Shacharit	SZ Kriat Shema	Tue/Wed Mincha	Yom Tov Wed Ends
 5.43PM	 6.45PM	 6.45PM	 8.00AM	 9.47AM	 6.42PM	 7.42PM

Shana Tova!



Rabbi Yoni and Rebbetzen Dina Golker, the Executive and Council would like to wish the whole Kehillah a Shana Tova U'metuka (שנה טובה ומתוקה)!

Location and Seating Notice

We will be downstairs in the OYH Hall over the Chagim (including first days Succot). For Shemini Atzeret/Simchat Torah we will be back upstairs. We have made every effort to accommodate everyone's seating requests for Yom Tov. However, due to limited availability and high demand, we regret that not all preferences could be fulfilled. We appreciate your understanding and cooperation.

Guidance for Yamim Noraim









1. Earliest time for lighting on erev-Rosh Hashana: **5.43pm**.
 2. **The Shofar will not be blown before 11.00am**. The full 100 blasts will be blown in shul, however an individual davening by themselves at home is only required to hear 30 blasts.
 3. Tashlich is usually done before Mincha on the first day, but may be done even until Hoshana Rabba.
 4. No work for the 2nd day should be done before nightfall.
 5. Candle Lighting for 2nd night is after nightfall at **7.44pm**.
- Please contact the Rabbi for further questions or clarifications.

Davening/Events (23rd in Blue | 24th in Green)

Pesukei D'Zimra	Richard Herman
Shacharit	Raffi Maurer
Leining	Dan Artman
Magen Minis/Maxis	From 10.15am to 11.00am
Y@MA ~10.30am	Kiddush and Chill
Main Kiddush ~10.30am	Sponsored by Chaya and Moshe Langerman to mark their wedding anniversary. Mazal Tov!
Drasha ~10.50pm	Rabbi Yoni Golker
Shofar ~11.00am	Dan Shaerf (Baal Tokea)
Mussaf	Alex Jacobs
Pesukei D'Zimra	Ashley Katz
Shacharit	Dani Netzer
Leining	Dan Artman
Magen Minis/Maxis	From 10.15am to 11.00am
Y@MA ~10.30am	Kiddush and Chill
Main Kiddush ~10.30am	Sponsored by Karina and Ashley Katz in honour of having both Joey and Minna home for Yom Tov!
Drasha ~10.50pm	Rabbi Yoni Golker
Shofar ~11.00am	Dan Shaerf (Baal Tokea)
Mussaf	Stephen Levey
Y@MA Simanim Seuda	4.45-6.15pm @ Family Langerman
Post-Mincha Shiur	Rabbi Dr Rafi Zarum

Shabbat 27 September 2025 / 5 Tishrei 5785 (Shabbat Shuva)

Parashat Vayeilech / פרשת וילך

Light From	Mincha שבת	שבת Chabura	שבת Shacharit	SZ Kriat Shema	Minis /Maxis	שבת Mincha	שבת Ends	Sunday Selichot+
 5.36PM	 6.35PM	 9.15AM	 9.30AM	 9.50AM	 10.45AM	 6.35PM	 7.35PM	 7.50AM 8.20AM

Thursday 25 September

The fast on Tzom Gedaliah begins at **5.12am** and ends at **7.33pm**. Kriat Shema should be recited before breaking the fast.

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Chabura: Daniel Greenberg CB

Leining: Dr David Cohen and Baruch Zekaria

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Shabbat Drasha: Rabbi Dr Glenn Bezalel

This week's Kiddush is sponsored by Toni and Baruch Zekaria to mark the Yahrzeit for Baruch's late mother.

Post-Mincha Shabbat Shuva Shiur: Rabbi Jeremy Golker

Save the Date

The Adlers are holding their annual Simchat Bet Hashoeva at 33 Rowsley Avenue on **Thursday 9 October** from **8.00pm**. All adults are hugely welcome (no children).

Simchat Torah Breakfast

We are delighted to invite all women to a Simchat Torah Breakfast and Learn which will take place on Simchat Torah morning from around 10.30am. The usual format is for several women from the community to speak for 5-7 minutes during breakfast. If anyone would like to share a short dvar Torah, personal thought or reflection please get in touch with Fiona Taylor or Anouk Abrahams. It really is a special event and an opportunity to hear a diverse range of women's voices.

Simchat Torah Lunch

Bookings are now open for this year's Simchat Torah Lunch: <https://tinyurl.com/MASTLunch25>.

Horim V'Yeladim

Horim V'Yeladim returns on **Motzei Shabbat 8 November**. We will be publishing details shortly after Succot.