



YI Hollywood - Ft. Lauderdale

Parshat Vayikra
Candle Lighting: 7:13 PM | Havdalah: 8:12 PM



FRIDAY NIGHT

MINCHA/KABBALAT SHABBAT/MAARIV:

- **Beit Midrash** (Mincha) – 3:00 PM
- **Sanctuary** – 7:15 PM
- **Sephardic (5950)** – 7:00 PM
- **Candle Lighting** : 7:13 PM
- **Shkiah** (Sunset): 7:32 PM

SHABBAT DAY

SHACHARIT:

- **Hashkama** (Sanctuary) – 7:00 AM
Followed by Kiddush in the Tent
- **Library** – 8:00 AM
Followed by Kiddush in the Tent
- **Beit Midrash** – 8:45 AM
Followed by Kiddush Kup: a brief shiur with **Rabbi Claman**, “*Understanding What Salt Brings to the Table*”, in the Beit Midrash
- **Sephardic (5950)** – 9:00 AM
Followed by a shiur during Kiddush by **Rabbi Berdugo**, “*Defining Bitachon: A Journey Through the Early and Later Authorities*,” in 5950
- **Sanctuary** – 9:00 AM
Followed by a combined Kiddush in the Tent
Pre-Davening Shiur at 9:00 AM in the Social Hall with **Rabbi Joe Soshtain**
- **Social Hall** – 9:15 AM
Followed by a combined Kiddush in the Tent
- **Junior Congregation (Chapel)** – 9:15 AM followed by Kiddush in the Chapel
- **Teens (Modular)** – 9:30 AM
Followed by Kiddush outside the Modular
- **Latest Kriat Shema:** 10:26 AM

Pre-Pesach Shiurim at YIH

Monday, March 16
Pesach Preparations & Products
Rabbi Weinstock | 8:00pm | the Library and via Zoom at yih.shulcloud.com/zoom/yih
NEW FOR THIS YEAR: Class will include Seder Preparations: How to Lead an Engaging, Meaningful and Fun Seder

Shabbat, March 21
4 Cups & 4 Kids: An Educational Lesson about Chinuch
Rabbi Claman | 6:25pm | Main Sanctuary

Thursday, March 26
Haggadah Night with the Rabbis
8:00pm | Social Hall

Shabbat, March 28
Shabbat HaGadol Morning Unity Minyan 9:00am | Main Sanctuary
Followed by mini Shabbat Hagadol Drashas from Rabbis Weinstock, Soshtain and Claman
Shabbat HaGadol Shiur, The Need for Speed: The Role of Chipazon in Yetziat Mitzrayim and in Our Lives
Rabbi Weinstock | 6:25pm | Main Sanctuary

SHABBAT AFTERNOON

Early Mincha – 2:30 PM (Beit Midrash)
• **Shiurim:**
Daf Yomi (Hebrew) with Eli Avisar – 5:10 PM (Beit Midrash)
Gemara Baba Metsia (Hebrew) with Eli Avisar – 5:55 PM (Beit Midrash)

Rabbi Claman – 6:25 PM “4 Cups & 4 Kids: An Educational Lesson about Chinuch” in the Sanctuary

• **Mincha** – 7:10 PM
Followed by Seuda Shlishit with **Rabbi Tzvi Benoff**, “*Jews of Elephantine Island & Korban Pesach*” in the Social Hall

• **Teen Mincha** – 7:10 PM
Followed by Seuda Shlishit in the Small Chapel

• **Sephardic Mincha (5950)** – 7:10 PM
followed by a Shiur with Rabbi Berdugo on “*Contemporary Halachic Responsa*”

Parsha class w/ Rabbi Yossi Jankovits after Mincha (Beit Midrash)

Shiur with Rabbi Jonathan Hirsch after Mincha (Beit Midrash)

- Maariv – 8:07 PM
- Havdalah : 8:12 PM

YIH warmly welcomes **Rabbi Tzvi Benoff** for a Dvar Torah during Seudah Shlishit. **Rabbi Benoff** is the Assistant Rabbi at the Riverdale Jewish Center, a Rebbe at YU/Stern, and serves as the Halachic Consultant for Contracts (Shtarot) and Jewish Identity at the Beth Din of America. He also holds an MA in International Political Economy and Finance from Fordham University.



MAZAL TOV:

- **Mabrouk to David and Maxine Gill** on the recent marriage of their daughter, Evelyn, to Michael Harari, son of Freddie and Cindy Harari of Deal, NJ
- **Sharon & Yosie Goldberger** on the birth of a grandson, born to their children Adina and Andy Kern-Goldberger of Beachwood, Ohio

THANK YOU TO OUR SPONSORS

Teen Kiddush: The Weinstock Family in honor of Eitan’s Bar Mitzvah anniversary and the Teen Minyan

8:00 AM Kiddush:
Ira & Naomi Sved in memory of his father, Shlomo ben Yisroel Moshe z”l

Joel & Barbara Coplowitz in memory of Joel’s sister Esther Karnefsky - Esther bat Moshe Shlomo, z”l, Joel’s father, Morris Coplowitz - Moshe Shlomo ben Avraham Yosef, z”l, and Barbara’s father, Morris Safer -Moshe ben Avraham ha’cohen z”l

Junior Congregation Kiddush: Alperstein Family

With gratitude to our 5786 Shabbat Sponsors for sponsoring unsponsored Kiddushim and Seudot Shlishit

Condolences:

- **Ronn (and Geena) Blitzer** on the passing of his beloved father, Eli Blitzer z”l



Refuah Shleimah

Cholim:

Ilan Amitai ben Talia Michal. Refael Chaim Mayer ben Sima Chasha. Yitzchak Gershon ben Rachel (Karen Deutsch’s Father). Yitzchak Chizkeya ben Rachel (Karen Deutsch’s uncle). Leib ben Meshusha. Moshe ben Eleanor. Refael Moshe Elimelech ben Basha. Moshe Chaim ben Raizel. Shlomo Yacov ben Adah. Yechiel Dovid Halevi ben Chaya Ita Esther. Tzvi ben Chana. Mordechai ben Bayla. Simcha Baruch Hakohen ben Itka. Shmuel Binyamin ben Malka. Yitzchak Shlomo ben Gotten. Shmuel Natan ben Chaya Esther. Beryl ben Rishka. Mordechai Menachem ben Golda Chaya. Michael Aryeh ben Hinda. Yehuda ben Leah Rachel. Amram Shlomo Menachem ben Simcha (Carol Carmel’s grandson). Yehuda Yeshayahu ben Miriam (Grandson of Norman & Sandy Goldglantz). Shlomo ben Esther (Salomon Galimidi). Zvi ben Golda. Avraham ben Leah. Dovid Efraim ben Dvorah. Aharon ben Miriam. Chaim Dovid ben Rivka. Ariel Etan Shalom Ben Abigail Chaya

Cholot:

Devorah bas Shaina Baila. Devorah Rivka bas Henna. Basha Hinda bas Hodes (Beth-ann Gan). Shoshana Devorah bas Bina Shlomit. Bracha Ahuva bas Chaya Esther (Bracha Einhorn wife of Stuart Einhorn). Sivan Shulamit bas Carmela. Leah Shayna bas Sara. Avigail bas Laura. Heleni Orna bas Chen Chana. Ariela bas Flora. Esther bas Brindel. Chana Malka bas Yetta. Luba bas Henya. Elana Chaya bas Serach. Chloe Dina bas Ilana. Bracha Chana bas Sheindel. Rachel Mashe bas Leah Ruama. Nava bas Chaya Rivka (Nava Seewald). Manya bat Tzirel. Orit Henya bas Ruth. Aidel Nechama bat Batsheva. Nesya Tikva bat Esther Rivka Moriah. Leah bat Chana

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Shabbat Almanac

This Week’s Torah Highlights:

Torah: Parshat Vayikra: Leviticus
l:l - 5:26
Haftarah: Isaiah 43:21 - 44:23
Nach Yomi: Shoftim 14
Daf Yomi: Menachos 69
Mishna Yomi: Me’ilah 4:6-5:l

Shul Info

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Scan the QR code to get updates on:

- Minyan schedule changes, Youth programs, Events and reminders
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Zev Goldberg, Ephraim Noach ben Chaya Sarah Gita, Aharon Feinerman - Aharon Shmuel ben Henya Raizel, Michal Amar, Josh Eichner, Lily Blaine, Aryeh Gavriel (Ohayon) ben Rivka Esther, Abby Eichner, Aharon Moshe (Galitzer) ben Yaffa Shifra, Kira Friedman



Thank you, Last week's leiners:

Ephraim Zinberg, Aryeh Love, Shlomo Schwartz, Tzvi Aronin, and Gerald Mayerhoff

Thank You



Rabbi Weinstock's Message:

IN DEFENSE OF CHAMETZ

The Book of Vayikra opens with the requirements and restrictions associated with the various korbanot. When it comes to flour offerings, the Torah is adamant that the "bread offerings" may not be chametz (2:11): כֹּל־הַמִּנְחָה לֹא־הֵעָשָׂה חֵמֶץ אֶשֶׁר תִּקְרְיֶנּוּ לֹהַ לֹא־הֵעָשָׂה חֵמֶץ. No grain offering that you offer to Hashem shall be made with leaven". The Talmud Brachot Rabbi Alexandri equates chametz with the yetzer harah, our evil inclination. The Baalei Mussar took note of the physical characteristics of chametz and related them to negative character traits. For example, dough will only begin to rise after a period of time. This corresponds to the trait of sloth and laziness. Similarly, with the help of yeast, dough rises more robustly; a phenomenon that the Mussar Movement related to the attribute of ego and haughtiness. Anthropologists and food historians add to the chametz-bashing, albeit indirectly. The origins of yeast, used for both bread and beer, can be traced to ancient Egypt before Yaakov and his family arrived. Chametz can now be representative of Egyptian culture, and our avoidance of leaven can be seen as a rejection of Egyptian culture as we celebrate our redemption from Egypt. But if chametz is so bad, then why do we eat it all year? Throughout history, bread has been a staple of nourishment. In addition, it is elevated as an offering to Hashem. The Sefirat HaOmer count culminates with Shavuot, at which time two beautiful loaves of fresh, fluffy bread were offered in the Beit Hamikdash.

If chametz is so wrong, how can it be the central offering on the holiday of Shavuot? The answer is that Chametz is not really evil. During the course of our lives, bread, as a food and as a symbol, is appropriate and necessary.

"Success comes from effort; meaning comes from perspective."

It is only on the Mizbeich and on Pesach that chametz is inappropriate. Rabbi Naftali Tzvi Berlin, the Netziv, writes, "Chametz is a human invention used to modify through ingenuity the world that God created." An encounter with Hashem at the Mizbeich is not the setting to demonstrate human ingenuity. Rather, bringing a Korban is a time to reflect on Hashem as Creator and the Cause of all human ingenuity. Chametz represents our ability to use our intellect to control our surroundings. While this is an appropriate and necessary perspective on life, it does not belong on the altar as we submit before Hashem through the offering of a flour korban. Chametz is also inappropriate on Pesach because during the Exodus, we were passive, as Hashem tells Moshe at the Splitting of the Sea: "Hashem will fight for you, and you shall remain silent."

Our celebration of Pesach focuses on what Hashem did for us. Matzah, the natural product of bread and water without any human ingenuity, is aptly suited to be that national symbol. It turns out that eating chametz the rest of the year is not a concession to our weak and sinful natures. As we will say in less than two weeks at the Seder in Mah Nishtana, "Shebechol Haleilot Anu Ochlim Chametz U'Matzah". During the rest of the year, I am a chametz eater, and I am proud to say that I like it. Chametz represents the crucial mandate that we have to be creative and to improve the world. Chametz reminds us that we must appreciate that goals can only be accomplished through human ingenuity and hard work. On Pesach however we continue and state, "Halayla Hazeh Kulo Matzah". Chametz conveys crucial lessons, but on Pesach we need to focus on different lessons. On Pesach we remember that our creativity and our accomplishments must ultimately be attributed to Hashem. It is easy to extol the virtues of matzah by critiquing chametz and associating it with negative symbolism. But by understanding how chametz plays a vital role in our lives the rest of the year, we can better appreciate the unique and exalted lessons of matzah on the Mizbeich and on Pesach.

Rabbi Weinstock's Class Replay: "Pesach Preparations & Products"

Missed the class or want to revisit it? No worries, you can still catch up online!

Scan the QR code to watch the shiur at your convenience.



IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

Shabbat HaGadol – Unity Minyan & Drashot
Join us for a special Shabbat HaGadol Unity Minyan in the Sanctuary.

The 8:45, 9:00, and 9:15 AM minyanim will join together for this unified tefillah.

Following davening, stay for mini drashot in the Sanctuary.

Youth Groups Update:

Youth groups will be extended until 12:00 PM to allow parents to attend the Shabbat HaGadol drashot after minyan.



SHABBAT MORNING PROGRAMS

For ages 3 - 8 (potty-trained) to Elementary School
 Upstairs Youth Wing
 9:00 AM — Drop-Off & Program Begins
 11:15 AM — Kiddush & Dismissal
 11:30 AM — Latest Pickup Time
 Parents are asked not to remain with children.
 Outside food is not allowed.
 Notify leaders about allergies or special needs.

MOMMY (OR DADDY) & ME PROGRAM

This Shabbat, March 21:

Mommy & Me is cancelled

Next Week, March 28:

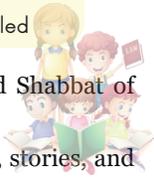
Mommy & Me will take place as scheduled

Location: Chapel

Time: 10:30 AM (First and third Shabbat of the month)

Led by Morah Cammy Leff

Fun toddler program with singing, stories, and movement!



Youth info



ZUMBINI WITH MARIELA — EVERY WEDNESDAY

Bring your little ones (ages 0-4) for a magical mix of music, movement, and smiles!
 Sessions: 10:00 AM & 11:00 AM
 Register at: yih.org/zumbini

BAR MITZVAH RESERVATIONS

Policies & Online Form

Families wishing to schedule their son's Bar Mitzvah can find the shul's policies on our website.

Please complete the online reservation form to request your date.

Scan the QR code to access the policies and form.



PARSHA QUIZ



YIH Daily Minyan Schedule:

Shacharit

Sunday

- Sanctuary: 7:15 AM | 8:00 AM | 9:00 AM
- Beit Midrash: 6:45 AM | 8:30 AM
- Sephardic (5950): 8:30 AM

Monday & Thursday

- Sanctuary: 6:15 AM | 7:15 AM | 8:00 AM
- Beit Midrash: 6:45 AM
- Sephardic (5950): 6:45 AM

Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday

- Sanctuary: 6:15 AM | 7:30 AM | 8:00 AM
- Beit Midrash: 7:00 AM
- Sephardic (5950): 6:45 AM

Mincha/Maariv

(Sunday - Thursday)

- Plag Mincha (Sanctuary): 6:05 PM
- Sephardic (5950): 6:05 PM
- Z'man Mincha (Sanctuary): 7:20 PM
- Late Maariv (Beit Midrash): 9:15 PM

Friday – Erev Shabbat

- Beit Midrash Early Mincha: 3:00 PM
- Earliest** Candle Lighting : 6:18 PM
- Sephardic & Sanctuary Mincha: 7:00 PM
- Zman** Candle Lighting : 7:17 PM
- Beit Midrash: 7:20 PM

UPCOMING Events

Sunday, 8:00 PM

Rosh Chodesh Nissan Women's Haggadah Learning

Join a panel of inspiring women educators sharing insights and Torah on the Haggadah. Featuring: Lisa Baratz • Rebbetzin Shira Claman • Sonia Schwartz • Rebbetzin Chani Soshtain • Tobi Wolf
 Social Hall

Mar 22 2026

Sunday, 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Pre-Pesach Movie Day

Join us for a fun-filled Pre-Pesach Movie Day featuring Sing! Enjoy a relaxed morning with friends, popcorn, prizes, and our red ticket store open for extra excitement!

Mar 29 2026

Monday, 6:40 PM

Marlins & Matzah

Enjoy a fun Chol Hamoed outing for the whole family at a special discounted rate!

VS Marlins vs. Reds

Tickets from \$23 - \$42
 Includes exclusive Passover hat, Kosher for Passover food, Seder Plate Customization Station, and West Plaza entertainment before the game
 Tickets available through March 29

yih.org/marlins

Don't miss out—see you at the ballpark!

Apr 6 2026

Tuesday, 6:15 PM

Celebrate Israel

Join YIH and Bnei Akiva for a meaningful evening commemorating Yom HaZikaron and celebrating Yom Ha'Atzmaut with a moving Tekes Maavar and Tefillah Chagigat.

The evening begins with Mincha, followed by the Tekes Maavar program. Youth programming will run alongside the event, and the night will continue with food, music, and dancing in the Social Hall.

Come together as a community to honor, remember, and celebrate Israel.

Apr 21 2026



WEEKLY TORAH CLASSES

Join us for inspiring shiurim, chavrutot, and learning programs throughout the week!

SUNDAY

- 7:30 AM — Beit Midrash Learning w/ Rabbi Yossi Jankovits: Gemara Sanhedrin, Chumash/Rashi, Mishna Berurah, Duties of the Heart
- 8:00 AM — Gemara Class w/ Dr. Eli Avisar (Chapel) in English

MONDAY

- 8:00 PM — The Preserve: Maharal Class (biweekly) w/ Rabbi Soshtain
- 8:30 PM — Hollywood Oaks: Lomdus on the Parsha (biweekly) w/ Rabbi Soshtain
- 8:30 PM — Sefer Shemot w/ Tobi Wolf (Chapel)

TUESDAY

- 8:00 AM — Chumash & Torah Temimah w/ Rabbi Yossi Jankovits
 - 8:45 AM Shacharit — Talmud w/ Rabbi Weinstock.
- To join the shiur WhatsApp group, scan the QR code with your phone camera



- 11:00 AM — Navi w/ Lisa Baratz (Chapel or Zoom: yih.org/zoom/lisa)
- 7:00 PM — Mishna Berurah: Hilchot Tefilah w/ Rabbi Yossi Jankovits
- 7:00 PM — Beginners' Gemara w/ Rabbi Michael Katz (Beit Midrash)
- 8:15 PM — Semichas Chaver Program w/ Rabbi Soshtain (Beit Midrash)

WEDNESDAY

- 8:30 PM - Mishna Berurah Shiur starting with Hilchot Shabbat w/ Rabbi Claman (Beit Midrash) Followed by 9:15 PM Maariv

THURSDAY

- 8:00 AM — Hilchot Ribbit w/ Rabbi Jankovits (Beit Midrash)
- 8:40 PM — Torah On Tap: Gemara + Cholent & Kugel (Beit Midrash w/ Rabbi Soshtain)

DAILY

- 5:15 AM (Mon-Fri) — Daf Yomi w/ Rabbi Yossi Jankovits (Beit Midrash)
- 6:00 AM (Mon-Fri) — Chavruta w/ Rabbi Yossi Jankovits: Sanhedrin, Rashi, Mishna Berurah, Duties of the Heart (Beit Midrash)
- 7:30-8:00 AM (Mon-Fri) — Amud HaYomi - Masechta Shekalim w/ Rabbi Claman (Chapel)
- After Shacharit (Mon-Fri) — Shulchan Aruch Yomi w/ Rabbi Berdugo (5950)
- 45 min before Plag Mincha — Daf Yomi w/ Rabbi Jankovits (Beit Midrash)

COMMUNITY & PESACH INFORMATION:

Preparing for Pesach at YIH Third Pre-Pesach Shiur:

Join Rabbi Claman this Shabbat, in the Sanctuary at 6:25 PM for an informative class on "4 Cups & 4 Kids: An Educational Lesson about Chinuch."

Maot Chitin – Help Families for Pesach:

Please give generously to the YIH Charity Fund to help those in need cover the added expenses of Pesach.

Donate at: www.yih.org/maotchitin

Seder Hospitality:

Would you like to host guests for the Seder or be hosted?

Please fill out the form at:

www.yih.org/seder

Sale of Chametz Authorization Form:

This week, YIH Rabbis will be available to arrange the sale of your chametz:

Mornings: After the 8:00 AM Minyan

Evenings: After 9:15 PM Maariv

You may also call to arrange a time.

Special Availability: Rabbi Weinstock will be available Sunday, 3/22, from 9:30 AM – 11:00 AM in the shul office.

Rosh Chodesh Nissan – Women’s Haggadah Learning:

Join an inspiring evening of Torah and insights on the Haggadah with a panel of women educators. March 22 | 8:00 PM, YIH

Haggadah Night with the YIH Rabbis:

Join us for an engaging evening of insight and preparation for Pesach.

Thursday, March 26, 8:00 PM, Social Hall

Copies of the OU Passover Guide are available in the shul office

Siyum Bechorim:

If you are able to make a Siyum on Erev Pesach, Wednesday, April 1, please contact Rabbi Claman.

Kashering at Shul:

On Sunday, March 29, from 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM, a pot of boiling water will be available in the shul kitchen for kashering items that can be kashered via hagalah.

Drive-Thru Chametz Food Drive

Clean out your cupboards for Pesach and donate your chametz to help families in need through The Dorit & Ben J. Genet Cupboard at Goodman JFS.

Sunday, March 29, 2026 9:30 AM – 12:00 PM

Young Israel of Hollywood–Ft. Lauderdale - North Parking Lot (Gravel Lot) Your donations help feed over 700 families each month, including many Holocaust survivors.

We will also be collecting items for the RAK PAK Clothing Closet:

New underwear & socks (all sizes)

Hygiene products – shampoo, conditioner, body wash

Help support families in our community this Pesach.

Monetary donations can be made at: www.jfsbroward.org/donate

Shnayim Yomi Florida – Annual Shnayim Mikra Event

Join us for a meaningful and uplifting family event featuring:

Rabbi Efreim Goldberg & Rabbi Akiva Zweig

Sunday, March 22, 2026, 10:30 AM, BRS – Boca Raton

Enjoy a delicious brunch and inspiring words of Torah

Men, women, and children welcome

Each attendee will receive a FREE Artscroll Shnayim Yomi Chumash

Chizuk – One-on-One Peer Support

If you are navigating infertility or fertility treatments, you don't have to go through it alone. Connect with another Jewish woman who understands and can offer support.

To get connected, call/text/WhatsApp Sharona Whisler: 917-673-6123



Additional Halachic Resource for Women

Our recent Scholar in Residence, Sarit Anstandig, has received specialized training to provide guidance on questions related to Taharat Hamishpacha, women's health, and other areas of halacha that uniquely impact women.

Sarit may be contacted via call, text, or

WhatsApp at:

(201) 951-5881

All inquiries will be handled with the utmost sensitivity and discretion.

SAFETY & SECURITY

Crosswalk Safety

Do NOT turn left on red onto SW 33rd Ave from Stirling Rd. This is illegal and puts pedestrians at risk.

A Hollywood Police Officer will be assisting pedestrians during these times:

Friday: 6:00 PM – 9:00 PM

Shabbat: 6:45 AM – 12:30 PM & 5:30 PM – 8:30 PM