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Lauderdale

Parshat Shoftim
Candle Lighting: 7:39 PM | Havdalah: 8:36 PM

FRIDAY NIGHT

MINCHA/MAARIV:

- **Beit Midrash (Mincha)** - 3:00 PM
- **Sanctuary** - 7:00 PM
- **Sephardic (5950)** - 7:00 PM
- **Candle Lighting:** Earliest: 6:36 PM

Zman: 7:39 PM

Kabbalat Shabbat in the Beit Midrash:

- 6:30 PM - Lite Bites & Drinks
- 6:50 PM - Mincha, followed by Kabbalat Shabbat and a D'var Torah.
- **Beit Midrash:** 7:45 PM
- **Shkiah (Sunset):** 7:58 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 in the Beit Midrash
- **Sephardic (5950)** - 9:00 AM
- Followed by Kiddush in the Tent
- **Sanctuary** - 9:00 AM
- Followed by 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
- **Social Hall** - 9:15 AM
- Followed by a Kiddush in the Tent
- **Latest Kriat Shema:** 10:09 AM

Shabbat Almanac

Shabbat, Torah Highlights:

Torah: Parshat Shoftim
Haftarah: Isaiah 51:12 - 52:12
Nach Yomi: Yeshayahu 38
Daf Yomi: Chulin 107
Mishna Yomi: Kelim 24:15-16

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Junior Kiddush:

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Teen Kiddush:

Crissy & Mark Kogan in honor of Jordan's 5th Bar Mitzvah anniversary

Beit Midrash Kiddush:

Ellen & Jay Adler in honor of the birth of their grandson,
Yair Yechiel Saiman

Sephardic Kiddush:

Andre, Marc & Lisa Benayoun to commemorate the 5th
yahrzeit of Roger Gabriel Benayoun z"l, Husband and Father

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Mazal Tov:

Josh & Tammie Purow on the engagement
of their daughter, Maia

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A community member is looking for a blue tallit bag with a white
bow and floral design, which was last seen around Yom Kippur.
If you may have accidentally picked it up thinking it was yours,
please take a moment to double-check your tallis bag.
If found, please contact the office. Thank you!

SHABBAT AFTERNOON

Early Mincha - 2:30 PM (Beit Midrash)

• **Shiurim:**

- Daf Yomi (Hebrew) with Eli Avisar -
5:30 PM (Beit Midrash)
- Gemara Baba Metsia (Hebrew) with Eli Avisar
- 6:15 PM (Beit Midrash)

Shiur with Rabbi Weinstock - 6:45 PM
"The Legacy of Rav Avraham Yitzchak
HaKohen Kook (on his upcoming yahrzeit on 3
Elul)" in the Sanctuary

• **Mincha** - 7:30 PM

Followed by Seudah Shlishit in the Social Hall

• **Teen** - 7:30 PM

Followed by Seudah Shlishit in Small Chapel

• **Sephardic Mincha (5950)** - 7:30 PM

Followed by Seudah Shlishit and 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 - 8:31 PM
- Havdalah: 8:36 PM

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 Dvora. Aharon
ben Miriam. Chaim Dovid ben Rivka. Ariel
Ethan Shalom ben Abigail Chaya. Tzvi ben
Tzipka. Shmuel Avraham ben Masha Brana.
Elisha Shai ben Dina Chana Gittel

Cholot:

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

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Rabbi Weinstock's Message:

SPITE MAY NOT BE NICE- BUT IT'S HUMAN

The Talmud (Brachot 31b) formulates an important idea: Dibra Torah B'lashon bnei adam. Although the Torah is of Divine origin, it was written in "the language of human beings," in the way people talk.

This concept helps us understand many passages in the Torah. It explains, for example, anthropomorphic imagery, where God is described as having a yad, a hand. Some Orthodox Biblical scholars utilize this concept to show that although the Torah is timeless, it was given to Bnai Yisrael in a particular historical and cultural context. Understanding that the Torah may speak in the common language of its time can help explain certain mitzvot in their historical context of more than 3,300 years ago, such as slavery and levirate marriage. Others point to parallels between the way Hashem spoke to Bnai Yisrael when entering into a brit, such as at Mt Sinai, and the way ancient kings entered into treaties with subservient nations.

The concept of Dibra Torah B'lashon bnei adam can also help us understand an otherwise enigmatic passage in this week's Parsha.

In Chapter 20, Parshat Shoftim focuses on the laws of Jewish warfare. The first topic addressed is the list of those exempted from the battlefield.

The Torah lists three specific exemptions followed by a more general one:

1. One who built a new house but has not yet lived in it.
2. One who planted a vineyard but has not yet enjoyed its fruits.
3. One who is engaged but has not yet gotten married.
4. Anyone who is yarei v'rach haleivav, fearful and fainthearted.

Obtaining a house, a vineyard, and a wife are important milestones in a person's life. This becomes evident from the curses in Parshat Ki Tavo (28:30).

The exemptions are understandable. These people are more distracted; their battle instincts may be compromised, which in turn could endanger the entire army and its mission.

What is less understandable is the reason given by the Torah for these specific exemptions:

"Pen yamut b'milchama, v'ish acher yachmechenu, yechallelenu, yikachena."

The focus of concern is not simply the possibility of death, but the fact that an ish acher, someone else, will come along and benefit from that which the deceased soldier prepared but never had a chance to enjoy. Rashi comments that such a situation causes agmat nefesh, heartbreak. But would these situations be more heartbreaking than many other military casualty?

What makes these casualties more tragic than the loss of a soldier who is an only child to his parents, or a married soldier who leaves behind a widow and young children? Is the possibility of an ish acher really the concern to which the Torah should draw our attention? That someone else will get this man's wife, house, or vineyard after he is dead? I can't help but be reminded of a poem by Shel Silverstein that I read as a child, "The Prayer of the Selfish Child":

Now I lay me down to sleep
I pray thee Lord my soul to keep
And if I day before I wake
I pray thee Lord my toys to break
So none of the other kids can use 'em
Amen

The poem speaks to a basic element of human nature: **spite**. It is the idea that if I can't have it, then no one can. People can become upset by the prospect of someone else benefiting, even when it does not come at their expense. Spiteful people are willing to lose in order to make sure that others do not gain.

Researchers have tried to understand this phenomenon. Is it an affronted sense of fairness? Envy? Revenge? Or something more sinister? History is littered with examples of leaders who acted out of spite, often with horrendous results.

Spite is a uniquely human phenomenon, evident even among young children. Psychologist Paul Bloom conducted an experiment in which children were given the opportunity to prevent another badly behaved child from receiving a food he liked. Some children ate food that they disliked, like broccoli, simply to make sure the badly behaved child would not receive the broccoli that they loved.

Being spiteful is not something we necessarily grow out of as adults. People will sometimes work to ensure that another person gains no benefit from a situation, even though their own position will not be enhanced as a result. This seems to be the type of human emotion alluded to in our Parsha. The Torah, while at no time condoning these feelings of spite, understands human nature and recognizes that spite is a powerful emotion that needs to be considered.

Parshat Shoftim is always read at the beginning of Chodesh Elul. One of the well-known acronyms of Elul is Ani L'Dodi V'Dodi Li. Spite can be a powerful force. We should appreciate the danger of focusing on the ish acher, on what someone else may have, receive, or enjoy, and stop defining our happiness based on other people. As we head toward a New Year, let us not focus on the other but rather on the Ani: our lives, our goals, and our blessings.



High Holiday Seats:

The reservation deadline has passed.
If you still need assistance, please
contact the YIH office, and we'll do
our best to accommodate you.

Rav Kook Yahrzeit Shiur

This Shabbat is dedicated to the
yahrzeit of Rav Kook. Join
Rabbi Yosef Weinstock for a special
shiur.

6:45 PM in the Sanctuary

Thank you, Last week's leiners:

Peretz Axelman,
Eli Hagler,
Yossi Hahn,
William Zombeck,
Dani Taillard

Thank You

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 on summer break
- 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) — Meschata Yuma 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)

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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):** 7:45 AM | 8:30 AM

Monday & Thursday

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

Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday

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

Mincha / Maariv

Sunday - Thursday

- **Plag Mincha** (Sanctuary): 6:20 PM
- **Sephardic (5950):** 6:20 PM
- **Z'man Mincha** (Sanctuary): 7:40 PM
- **Late Maariv** (B.M.): 9:15 PM

Friday

CANDLE LIGHTING:

- **Earliest:** 6:31 PM
- **Zman:** 7:33 PM
- **Kabbalat Shabbat** (B.M.): 6:50 PM
- **Sephardic (5950):** 7:00 PM
- **Sanctuary:** 7:00 PM
- **Beit Midrash:** 7:40 PM

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SAFETY & SECURITY

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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: 6:30 PM – 9:30 PM

Shabbat: 6:45 AM – 12:30 PM & 6:30 PM – 9:30 PM

First Aid & Emergency Equipment

- AEDs, wheelchairs, oxygen tanks, and reflective belts are located in the closet next to the Social Hall.
- Additional wheelchairs and rain ponchos are available in the women's bathroom closet.

Join Our Security Team

- Volunteers are needed to support security during services and events.

Contact: Avinoam Agame at agame@yih.org.

YIH & COMMUNITY INFORMATION:

• The Dorit & Ben J. Genet Cupboard

The Dorit & Ben J. Genet Cupboard kosher pantry is looking for 125 volunteers to deliver meals to homebound seniors for Rosh Hashanah. Deliveries will be made on Sunday, September 6, 10 am-12 noon within Broward County. To select your shift, visit <https://bit.ly/4yFm0ox>

• High Holiday Food Drive

Start the New Year with a mitzvah! YIH is collecting non-perishable kosher food items to benefit the Dorit & Ben J. Genet Cupboard of Goodman Jewish Family Services. Please drop off donations in the collection box at YIH by September 20. Cereal, oatmeal, peanut butter, canned goods, pasta, soups, tuna, cooking oil, condiments & more. Thank you for helping support families in our community!

• YIH Yizkor Book

We are pleased to announce the publication of the 22nd edition of our Young Israel of Hollywood-Fort Lauderdale Yizkor Book for the coming year. Please visit yih.org/yizkorbook for information.

• Ray of Hope

Ray of Hope is a nonprofit organization providing confidential support, connection, and professionally facilitated resources for Jewish adults navigating the effects of difficult life experiences. Compassionate help and a caring community are available. Learn more at www.rayofhopeus.org or call 845-600-1185.

• Chizuk – One-on-One Peer Support

Women navigating infertility, fertility treatments, or the journey to grow their family can connect with a compassionate peer who understands what they're going through. To get connected, call, text, or WhatsApp Sharona Whisler at 917-673-6123. Support, understanding, and chizuk – one conversation at a time.

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YOUTH:

SHABBAT MORNING PROGRAMS:

For ages 3 - 8 (potty-trained) to Elementary School
 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 WEEK: 8/15

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!

Programs Resume this Shabbat!