

The President, Robert Hershan, together with the Board, Rabbis and staff of TBI, welcomes you to our community.

SHABBAT SH'MINI

Parashah: Leviticus 9:1-10:11 (page 798)
Haftarah: II Samuel 6:1-7:17 (page 986)

KABBALAT SHABBAT

MAIN SYNAGOGUE

6.15pm Yom HaShoah Commemoration Service

Board member: Robert Sward, Rebecca Silk and David Freedman
Darshanit: Rabbi Kim Ettlinger
Shammash: Rosemary Michael
Shira: Cantor Michel Laloum, Tammy Cohen, Max Jared Einsohn, Sharon Mattatia and Patrick Prunster

SHACHARIT SHABBAT

MAIN SYNAGOGUE

10am Saturday Morning Shabbat Service

Board members: Judi Cohen, Robert Sward, John Hillel, Helen Shardey and Sue Silberberg
Shammashim: Esther Kahn and Jeff Caser
Darshan: Cantor Michel Laloum
Shira: Cantor Michel Laloum and the TBI Choir accompanied by Joe Stupel
Bar mitzvah: Ziggy Glasman
Aufruf: Nadja Perelberg and Brad Cowan
Torah readers: Rena Langberg, Max Jared Einsohn, Ziggy Glasman, Cantor Michel Laloum
Kiddush: Kindly sponsored by the Glasman, Perelberg and Cowan families

LUNCH 'N' LEARN

MAGID RESOURCE CENTRE

Philip Mendes, 'The Rise and Fall of the Jewish-Left Alliance'

We kindly ask that phones and cameras not be used during services*

DRASH FOR SHABBAT SH'MINI BY RABBI DAVID KUNIN, JEWISH COMMUNITY OF TOKYO

Observance of Kashrut has long separated Progressive Jews from their more traditional brethren. These food taboos have been seen as difficult and divisive. Kashrut laws are seen as a relic of our past. Yet, these impediments miss out on the deep spiritual and ethical lessons of observing the food mitzvot.

Eating is something we share with all animals. Yet we have the power not only to draw sustenance from food, but also ethical and spiritual meaning. Animals (and many humans) rush in to eat, but the kashrut mitzvot demand that we stop a moment and consider. As we pause, we have a double opportunity. First, we can consider if the food meets the ritual standards that we have set for ourselves. Second, we can ask ourselves what meaning we can derive from observing these standards. It is this second opportunity that is an essence of kashrut observance.

Consider two related kashrut mitzvot: separating milk and meat and abstaining from eating blood. At first glance these seem very different; yet both focus on the importance of life. Milk is the life-giving nourishment of all young mammals; it is the first thing tasted after birth, providing the nutrients necessary to grow and thrive. It is the food of life. Blood serves a similar purpose. It flows through every animal bringing oxygen from

lungs to organs. Without blood we would quickly die. It is no coincidence that our Torah (Lev. 17:14) teaches that the life of every creature is its blood.

Milk and blood are both liquids of life, yet are very different in nature and law. Therefore, while both milk and meat are permitted, they may not be eaten together. This teaches that we should not consume meat together with the substance that gives it life. Blood is always forbidden. Yet, such an abstention also teaches us respect for life. Even as we eat, blood courses through our veins. Abstention from blood is a reminder that a life has been taken. Though we may consume it, we still respect that it once lived.

A number of messages can be derived from two simple-seeming mitzvot. First, we learn the importance of respect for life, whether human or animal. Though we are permitted to eat meat, we are asked to take responsibility for our actions. Second, we are reminded of the unity of creation. Though we humans often see ourselves as better, there is more that connects us with animals than divides us. Third, this realisation can lead us to understand that just as the Divine is found within us, so too, is it found in all creation.

SPECIAL SHABBATOT



**Post-ANZAC Day
Kabbalat Shabbat
Service**

**Friday 28 April
6.15pm**



**Shabbat Atzma-ut
and Israeli-themed
community dinner**

**Friday 5 May
6.15pm**

*TBI services are now streamed live and archived on our website tbi.org.au for the benefit of the community. If you are positioned near the front of the synagogue or near the bimah your image will be recorded. Attendance and participation in our services will be deemed as consent for your image, or the image of minors in your care, to be used for the purposes of filming and promotion. We thank you for your support.

DROP IN AND CHAT

WEDNESDAY 26 APRIL 10.30AM

Schmoozing, word games and (optional) knitting for seniors. Entry \$2, includes refreshments. Newcomers always welcome.

LIVING WITH DEMENTIA SUPPORT GROUP

THURSDAY 27 APRIL 7.30PM

A Jewish support group for family and carers of people with dementia. Information, helpful strategies and an opportunity to discuss any topics or questions.

TBI FILM CLUB

SUNDAY 30 APRIL 6.30PM ENTRY FOR 7PM START

Free entry. To join the TBI Film Club and receive alerts for upcoming films, contact vklooger@netspace.net.au

NASH 'N' DRASH

WEDNESDAY 3 MAY 10.30AM

Max Jared Einsohn, 'The Music of the Neviim- an Exploration of Haftorah Through Song'

CALENDAR

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Sunday 23 April

- 5.30pm Kol Simchah choir rehearsal
- 7.30pm Rosh Chodesh Women's Group (OFFSITE)

Tuesday 25 April

OFFICE CLOSED - Anzac Day

Wednesday 26 April

- 10.30am Drop In and Chat

Thursday 27 April

- 7.30pm Living with Dementia Support Group

Friday 28 April

- 10am Bubs & Bagels
- 6.15pm Post-ANZAC Day Kabbalat Shabbat service

Saturday 29 April

- 10am Gesher service
- 10am Shabbat Tazria-M'tzora service
- 7pm Binah Program - Binah Bet 2016




Weekly playgroup for parents with children aged 0-18 months.
Fridays 10am
tbi.org.au/bubs-bagels

The Temple of Song - Singing Circle returns to TBI on Thursday 11 May. More information coming soon...




'LITTLE STATE - BIG STORY'
Thursdays 4, 11, 18 & 25 May 7.30pm
Join Rabbi Gersh Lazarow for a look at the story of the State of Israel, its history and complex reality.
Please RSVP: info@tbi.org.au Sponsored by 



'Aleph Isn't Enough'
Intermediate Adult Hebrew
Thursdays 7.30 - 9pm from 1 June
Course cost: \$180
tbi.org.au/learn/adult-education/aleph/

REMEMBRANCE

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SHLOSHIM

- Pauline Benjamin Mother of Janet
- Victor Botvinik Husband of Galina, father of Lev
- Marek Donica Husband of Eva, father of Natasha
- Hila Friedman Mother of Simon, Michele, Leon & David
- Golda Isaac Wife of Joseph, mother of Graham, David & Deborah
- Peter Isaacson Father of Tony and Tim
- Isaac Henry Lehrer Husband of Lily, father of Rob, Daniel & Jo
- Naomi Marks Wife of Herbert z"l, mother of Jenny, David & Lyndal
- Frohlich Miklosne Grandmother of Judit, great-grandmother of Mira
- Rosie Rechnitzer Wife of George, mother of Jarred & Daniel
- Erica Ringelblum Mother & mother-in-law of Doodie Ruth
- Jeffrey Colin Rosenberg Husband of Vickie, father of Caroline & Simon

- Kenneth Rossdale Husband of Ruth, father of Peter & Debbie
- David Sharp Husband of Betty, father of Adam, Ryan & Alena
- Ralph Spivak Husband of Judith, father of Warren z"l, Gary & Simon

YAHREZITS OBSERVED THIS SHABBAT

- Morris Akkerman • Sara Bando • Freda Beville
- Colin David Blashki • Robi Bihary • Cenci Bihary • Hyman Leo Figg
- Leah Fradkin • Lilly Friedlaender • Alan Friedman • Jessie Gild
- Ilse Hartmann • Salomon Henquin • Guenter Jacob
- Danielle Lenore Joske • Stephen Bram Joske • Beatrice Kaufman
- Samuel Kaufman • Max Kayser • Katie Klooger • Leslie Koadlow
- Max Levin • George Marquis • Beatrice Shock • Tessa Silberberg
- Susanne Silberer • Pola Silberscher • Sarah Sive
- Joe Zusman Solomon • Hans Spitz • Rose Star • Herta Tarry

MISSION: Temple Beth Israel is a kehilla kedosha (spiritual community) bringing innovation and creativity to Jewish traditions. We provide multiple pathways for our members and friends to enjoy an engagement with Progressive Judaism that enhances their lives through spiritual enrichment, learning and community. We are guided by principles of egalitarianism and respect for others. We are inspired to continually develop and grow and to provide a spiritual home for all who wish to embrace our values. Temple Beth Israel acknowledges that we are assembled on land whose traditional custodians are the people of the Kulin Nation.

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