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UPCOMING EVENTS & DATES TO REMEMBER

PESACH

Information for preparing and celebrating Pesach starts on page 2! The First Seder is Saturday evening April 12!

Early Shabbat

We will start Early Shabbat after Pesach on April 25 with Friday Mincha at 7:00 pm. Remember to repeat Kriyat Shma and count the Omer at the proper time.

Graduation Kiddush

We will hold our annual Graduation Kiddush in June. Please contact the office if you have a graduate and would like to sponsor.

Misheberach List

If you have names for a misheberach, please send them to the shul office or e-mail to bhkmal@yahoo.com.

All-Occasion Cards

To purchase cards, designed by Wendy Hartz a"h, please contact the office at (847) 679-9800 or bhkmal@yahoo.com. Cards are available for purchase from the office for \$2.00 each or 13 cards for \$24. We can send a card for you for \$4 each – call Dotty Levant Chakiris at (773) 338-2515.

Parsha Podcasts

Rabbi Louis Lazovsky's morning Vorts on the Parsha are available [as podcasts online](#).

Rabbi Benzie's Shiur is in the 11th Chapter of Gemara Kesuvos, open to men and women; beginners and advanced students. Shiur meets on Wednesday nights one hour before Mincha in the Kaufman Beis Midrash and on Zoom Meeting ID: 810 8264 8249 Password: 028366.

Rabbi Soloveichik's Sunday Parsha Shiur meets at 10:30 am on Zoom: Meeting ID: 879 4850 7611 Password: 178417. *Shiur archives are available on YuTorah.org and [on YouTube](#).*

Rabbi Meyer Juzint's Books *Nechamas Meyer - Mussar on Parsha and The Chain of Miracles*

...are available for purchase from the office, Nechamas Meyer is \$25 and Chain of Miracles is \$20.

We now accept Zelle Payments! Donations may be paid by Zelle to phone number 773-500-9455 and name Congregation Beth Hamedrosh Hagodol.

Important Dates

Yom HaShoah - Thursday April 24

Yom Hazikaron - Friday May 2 (*The Chief Rabbinate*)

Yom Ha' Atzma'ut- Shabbat May 3 *observes 2 days earlier*)

Lag B'Omer - Friday May 16

Yom Yerushalayim - Monday May 26

Shavuot begins Sunday night June 1

Past Events

Thanks to all who bought leaves during the **Ety Rubinow Tree of Life Sale**...Thanks to Larry Weinger for organizing the **ARK Food Drive** and to all who brought items for the drive...Thanks to Rabbis Benzie and Eli for reading the Megilla... Thanks to all who enjoyed the Adar event with comedian Reuven Russel...We completed another year of enrollment in **SKIP** (Send-A-Kid-to-Israel Partnership).

ADELE GOLDBLUM WOMEN'S COUNCIL

Upcoming Events

There will be a **Women's Shalashudos** on Shabbat March 29th at 5 pm. at the Shul. Dr. Cheryl (Bayla) Benjamin, Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation, Associate Program Director Schwab Rehabilitation Hospital & the University of Chicago, will speak on "Pesach and Rehabilitation Under Fire: Lessons in Resilience." Please come and bring a friend.

"Marching to Freedom"- a women's zoom program - will take place at 7 pm on Wednesday April 2nd. This program will combine chair yoga with popular instructor Julie Rosenheim and Torah thoughts on the Exodus from Egypt with Saretta Lazovsky. We hope you will be able to join in. [Click here for the zoom link](#).

Past Event

In conjunction with Lema'an Achai, an Israeli social service

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organization, supplies were sent to Israel. One of Lema'an Achai's numerous projects is to help families of injured soldiers. One particular program is to help make celebrations for their daughters' Bnot Mitzvah. The supplies sent will be used for the participants to create and take home projects from the celebrations. We are grateful to have had this special opportunity.

GOOD & WELFARE

Mazel Tov to: Cookie Goldrich on the birth of two great grandchildren in Israel, born to Dovid and Alana Lowenstern and to Chevi and Ariel Zlotnick; Drs. Dinora Ingberman and Larry Biel on the birth of a grandson, Tomer Arnon, to Jacob & Miriam Valabov; Myra Goldstein on the engagement of her daughter Menucha to Jonny Rosenfeld of Los Angeles and on the birth of a great-granddaughter in Israel; Nasrin Kheradyar on the Bar Mitzvah of her grandson, Asher Schames...

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Refua Shleima to: Rabbi Louis Lazovsky, Judy Whisler, Craig Kowitz, Floyd Ruben, Lisa Solomon & all who need one.

Thanks to our recent Kiddush sponsors: Avi Lowenstern; Marty & Sandy Miretzky; Michael & Brooke Greenspan; Arkady & Ellen Kats; Rabbi Louis & Saretta Lazovsky.

PASSOVER INFORMATION

ONLINE EXPANDED PASSOVER GUIDE / INFORMATION AND LISTS

[cRc Pesach Guide online](#)

[OU Pesach Guide online](#)

[Star-K Personal Care Items List](#)

[Star-K Common Medicine List](#)

[cRc Pet Foods for Pesach](#)

[cRc Lipstick Website Search](#)

The cRc says: All varieties of blush, body/hand soap, conditioner, creams, eyeshadow, eyeliner, foundation, ink, lotion, mascara, nailpolish, ointment, shampoo, and gel deodorant are permitted for use on Pesach – regardless of the ingredients contained within them.

You can also use <https://askcrc.org/>

MAOT CHITTIM

Passover is a time of the year when we remember those who are not as fortunate as others. The "Shulchan Aruch - Code of the Jewish Law" reminds us of our obligation to help all Jews celebrate Passover, our festival of freedom. Please give generously to those in need so that they too can have Matzos, Wine, Maror and all other basic Passover needs. The Shul distributes Maot Chittim to people who need it. Donations may be sent to the office or given to Rabbis Louis, Ben Zion or Eli, and they will be distributed.

"Kol Dichfien Yasay V'yaichal - Whoever is needy, let them come and celebrate Passover with us." -Haggadah

Seder Shopping List

Shmura Matza, Wine or Grape Juice, Maror (romaine lettuce, horseradish or both for Seder plate), Charoset, Karpas vegetable, Hard boiled egg, shank bone, salt water.

Thanks to our recent Seudat Shlisheet sponsors: David Kaplan; Dr. Joel & Sally Feder; Marty & Sandy Miretzky; Mila & Jeff Zaretsky.

Thanks to our recent Weekly Programming Sponsors: Mila & Jeff Zaretsky; Bob & Sheryl Greenstein.

The **Omer**, or period of counting 49 days between Passover and Shavuot, is a solemn period when twenty four thousand students of Rabbi Akiva, all rabbis and leaders of Israel, passed away. We being counting ("Sfira") the night of April 13. One should count after sunset. If one forgot to count at night, count the next day without reciting the blessing. If one forgot the entire day, the blessing may not be recited for the rest of the Omer, even if one counts at night. During this time we refrain from celebrating weddings, having haircuts, purchasing new clothing and hearing live music. On the 33rd day of the counting, known as Lag B'Omer, this year corresponding to Friday, May 16, the students did not die. As a result, it is a day of joy and celebration. Marriages, which are ordinarily prohibited during the sefira period, are permitted on Lag B'Omer, and field trips and outings take place. In Israel, the day is marked by the bonfires, and pilgrimages are made to the grave of Rabbi Shimon Bar Yochai, whose Yahrzeit is on Lag B'Omer. Shavuot begins on Sunday evening June 1 and ends on Tuesday evening June 3.

PRE-PASSOVER PREPARATIONS

Pre-Pesach Shiurim at Kesser Maariv

All these classes are open to men and women.

Haggadah Shiur - Rabbi Moshe Soloveichik - TBA

Original Explanations and Themes of the Haggadah

Pre-Shabbat Hagadol Drasha - Rabbi Louis Lazovsky

Shabbat, April 5 at 5:45 pm

Pesach in Halacha and Hashkafa

Laws of Pesach & Hagaddah - Rabbi Benzie -

Wednesday 4/2 at 7:00 - This Year's Pesach Preparations.

Divrei Torah on the Hagaddah and links to audio shiurim

will be on the expanded [Newsletter on our Website!](#)

Some of Rabbi Ben Zion's previous classes are available:

Mitzvot of the Seder Night: *Reciting the Haggadah;*

Matza; Maror; Four Cups; Reclining; Hallel

Preparing for Pesach: *Bedikat Chametz; How to Kasher*

your home; Selling Chametz; How Matza is Made

Thoughts on the Hagaddah 2013.

[Hagaddaless shiur - what is not in the Hagaddah](#)

[Gemaras about the Seder Karpas, and Yisrael vs Yaakov](#)

Some of Rabbi Moshe Soloveichik's Classes:

[Why Moshe's name is not in the Hagaddah](#)

[Redundancies in Ha Lachma Anya, Focus on Avraham](#)

[Rabbi Joseph B. Soloveitchik's yahrzeit & Hagadda insights](#)

[Shabbos Hagadol & freedom Hashem as King of Kings](#)

[2024 Shiur](#)

For free online Halachot in English from a reliable and respected source, Rabbi Eliezer Melamed's **Peninei Halacha** - [Laws of Pesach](#) and [Laws of Yom Tov](#).

LIST OF COMMUNITY PESACH PREPS

cRc Pesach Fair - Sunday, April 6, 1:00pm – 4pm at KCT, 9220 Crawford, Skokie, includes Kashering, Shatnez testing. See www.crcpesach.org

Hagalas Kaylim See a brief cRc [video on kashering](#). And a [long cRc kashering webinar](#).

Hagalas Kaylim at Telshe Yeshiva 3535 W. Foster, Chicago - Sunday April 6 7:30-9 pm, Monday April 7th from 7:30-9 pm. Large orders please call 773-727-5241.

Shatnez Testing - available at Star Cleaners, 3704 Dempster, year-round,

Skokie Spring Greening - Sunday April 6, from 10am-1:45 pm at Old Orchard's West Parking Lot.

Agudah Document Shredding & Electronics Recycling - 7001 Central Park, Sunday March 30, 1-4 pm. \$5/item.

Proper Disposal of Shamos (in boxes) - Agudah - Sunday March 30, 1-5 pm, 7001 Central Park, Lincolnwood. For a fee. Questions? Rabbi Bider 773-315-7255

Shamos should not be brought to Kesser Maariv. *Note: Likutei Pshatim (and similar publications) may be double-bagged and placed with the regular garbage pickup.*

Burn Chametz on Friday morning April 11 from 8:00 am until 11:30 am, at various locations in Skokie, and at Lincolnwood Town Center. **We do not recite Bitul (nullification of) Chametz at this time. Instead, we recite the Kol Chamira on Shabbat April 12 before 11:30 am.**

If you still have chametz on Shabbat morning April 12, crumble & flush it down a toilet by 11:33 am.

Selected Laws for Passover 5785

Preparing for Passover is always difficult. I will attempt to briefly cover 15 areas but urge you to either review the laws from the original source materials, attend any of the many classes being offered by competent rabbinic authorities, including at Kesser Maariv, or call me with any questions. (See laws of Kashering on next page)

1) **The Fast of the First Born** is on Thursday morning April 10. Fathers fast for their first born son under Bar Mitzvah. A Siyum can be attended if fasting is difficult. We will hold a siyum that morning after our 6:00 am minyan.

2) **We Search for Chametz** on Thursday night, April 10 after sundown. We follow all of the procedures and customs including reciting the blessing and Kol Chamira (renunciation of ownership) upon conclusion of the search;

3) **We Burn Chametz** on Friday morning April 11. Burning of the Chametz will be available that day, from 8:00 am until 11:00 am, at various locations in Skokie. *Because it is not Erev Pesach, we do not perform Bitul Chametz until Shabbat morning;*

4) **The Prohibition of Eating Chametz** begins at 10:15 a.m. on Shabbat morning April 12;

5) Because Erev Pesach is Shabbat, our houses must be ready for Pesach (including all Kashering) before Friday afternoon April 11. However, we cannot eat Matzah before the seder, but we need to eat hamotzi for the Shabbat meals. The best way to solve this problem is to boil matzah before Shabbat. Boiled Matza may be eaten on Erev Pesach because the taste and texture are changed to a large degree. (See [Rabbi Benzie's video](#)). A second, but more problematic thing to do is to have a small amount of bread or egg matza, which is considered chametz, for hamotzi, eaten on a tray, and the

crumbs should be flushed down the toilet **by 11:33 am**. If you do this, your lunch and Seudat Shlisheet must be completed by 10:15 am!

We will daven Shacharit on Shabbat April 12 at regular time, 8:45 am. By the time we finish it will be too late to eat Chametz. The meals must be finished by 4:13 pm if you use boiled matza. *(If you are eating bread or egg matza, your meal must end by 10:15 am, the time at which the prohibition of eating chametz begins. You should eat a quick meal of hamotzi, bentch and walk around the block. Then wash again and eat a meal [this is considered Seudat Shlishit], but preferably eat Sedat Shlisheet in the afternoon with fruit, preferably grapes/dates/figs/olives).* Remember to perform the bitul (nullification of Chametz) (which we usually make at the time of the burning of the chametz) sometime before 11:30 am. One may eat Passover cakes without Matza Meal, and fruit, for shalashudos (but no chametz hamotzi) before 4:13 pm;

Everyone must perform Bitul (Nullification of) Chametz and recite the Kol Chamira before 11:33 am;

6) **The Seder** - We cannot begin to make preparations or begin the seder until after Shabbat ends, which is not before 8:11 pm. **It is best to prepare Charoset, salt water, etc. on Friday!** Recite the mini-Havdala "Baruch Hamavdil Bein Kodesh L'Kodesh" at that time then light candles.

Remember to transfer the fire from an existing flame; and let that candle burn out by itself, as we may not extinguish flames on Yom Tov. In each and every generation we must feel as if we are re-experiencing the exodus from Egypt. Accordingly, we must delve into the Haggadah to remember the suffering of our ancestors and to learn of the greatness of Hashem. We must involve our children in this process and realize that each part of the Passover Seder has great meaning and significance. In addition to reciting the Hagaddah, special mitzvot of the night include drinking four cups of wine or grape juice, eating Matza, Maror and a Yom Tov meal. We must eat the Afikomen by 12:51 am.

7) **Kiddush** at the first Seder - the *special Kiddush* that includes Havdala (known by the Talmudic acronym YaKNeHaZ) and all Haggadahs include it. It is preferable to use clear, incandescent light bulbs in your room as the candle for Havdala. *One should not light a havdala candle because we are not permitted to blow it out on Yom Tov.* If you don't have clear incandescent bulbs, hold 2 regular candles together for Havdala and then set them in holders to burn out by themselves.

8) **First Day** - On Sunday morning April 13 we have a Yom Tov service in Shul including the full Hallel, and Tefillat Tal, prayer for Dew), followed by a Yom Tov meal. Note that we may not eat a meal after 4:13 pm in preparation for the second seder. *Remember to STOP saying Mashiv Haruach at Mincha.*

9) **Second Night & Seder** - We cannot begin to make preparations or begin the second seder until after candle lighting on Sunday evening April 13, which is not before 8:12 pm. Recite the mini-Havdala "Baruch Hamavdil Bein Kodesh L'Kodesh" at that time then light candles. *Remember to transfer the fire from an existing flame; and let that candle burn out by itself, as we may not extinguish flames on Yom Tov.* We do recite "Shehechyanu" at candle lighting; some have the custom to have a new fruit for the

second night. After this, you may cook/warm up food, set the table and then begin the Seder. The Seder is very similar to the first night's Seder. The Afikoman must be eaten by 12:51 am. **We start counting the Omer this evening.**

10) Second Day - After Shul we have a Yom Tov meal. After Yom Tov we make a mini-Havdalah: wine & Havdala.

11) **Chol Hamoed** - Chol Hamo'ed starts on Monday evening April 14th and continues until Friday evening, April 18th. In Shmone Esray we begin saying V'tein Bracha.

12) Seventh Night - April 18 - Candle lighting at 7:16 pm. We do **not** make "Shechianu" at Candle Lighting. That night we eat a Yom Tov meal.

13) Seventh Day - April 19 - we read King Solomon's Song of Songs (Shir Hashirim). The Torah reading is about the miracle of the Splitting of the Sea. After Shul we eat a Yom Tov meal. We should eat Seudat Shlisheet before 4:17 pm, since we must eat a Yom Tov meal later that night.

14) Eighth night - April 19 - we light candles (from an existing flame, like paragraph 6 above) after 8:19 pm, and eat a Yom Tov meal. (Note: Kiddush is like #7 above, including Havdala, but no Shehechianu)

15) Eighth Day - April 20 - at Shul we recite Yizkor, a custom that began in the Middle Ages in Europe. Rabbi Moshe Soloveichik feels Yizkor on Festivals (as opposed to Yom Kippur) was begun to remember family members who were killed in Pogroms and whose absence is sorely felt on Yom Tov.

After Yom Tov, we make Havdala only with wine, and after Havdala please be careful and put away all your

help people understand what they need to do to Kasher their kitchen.

Most items and appliances must be clean and idle for 24 hours before Kashering.

Ovens: Run a self clean with the oven racks inside. If it is not self-clean it is Kasherable, but ask me for instructions.

Rangetops Gas: Burners should be on for thirty minutes with the grates in their normal position. Afterward, the grates must also be covered with foil for Pesach. Electric ranges need to be red-hot for at least 30 minutes. Often you must put a brick on the burner for it to turn red-hot. Glass top ranges have slightly different details; please ask me.

Dishwashers: May not be kashered for Pesach.

Sinks: Stainless steel sinks may be kashered with hagala (pouring scalding water on them). Sinks must be clean and with no rust spots. Boil water in a container until there is a rolling boil, and *carefully* pour the water on all parts of the sink and faucet. Cast-iron sinks cannot be kashered. Still, one must pour boiling water on the cast-iron sink as described above, and additionally one must cover the surface of the sink. One possibility is to buy a dishpan that fits in your sink and drill a big hole in it to drain (but be careful the sink should not back up into the dishpan).

Silverware: Can be kashered if they are rust free with Hagala. You can drop them into a pot of boiling water one at a time, or go to the cRc Pesach Fair or at Telshe.

Anything with small holes or crevices cannot be Kashered.

Pots: Pots that are usually used for cooking liquids may be kashered by Hagala, provided they are clean and have no crevices. For details, see one of the Rabbis Lazovsky, or bring it to the cRc Pesach Fair. Frying pans and roasting pans cannot be kashered.

Dishes: Cannot be kashered.

Countertops: The cRc Passover Guide has an extensive list of countertop materials and if they may be kashered by pouring boiling water on them. Even if your countertop cannot be kashered, clean it well and cover it – some people cover it with boards, some use Contact paper with light adhesive and some use aluminum foil. Whatever you use, cover it well so that food will not touch the countertop.

Clean and cover your backsplash too.

Refrigerators: Must be thoroughly cleaned with soapy water. Does not need a 24 hour waiting period beforehand.

Small appliances like coffee makers, Keurig machines, crock pots, instaPots, blenders and food processors cannot be kashered for Pesach. **For any other items advice or assistance, please ask me** - email bhhkmal@yahoo.com.

The **laws of Shabbat Erev Pesach** are complex.

While our summary above should answer all of your questions (and please ask us if it doesn't), here are some additional links with more details. [Har Etzion Part 1](#) [Har Etzion Part 2](#) [Har Etzion Part 3](#) [Har Etzion Part 4](#) [OU \(not from 2025\) RJJ Journal](#) [cRc Erev Pesach on Shabbos 2025](#)

PASSOVER DATES TO REMEMBER

Shabbat Hagodol Drasha (Early)	Shabbat Afternoon April 5 at 5:45pm
Fast of the First Born-Taanit Bechorim (Siyum after minyan)	Thursday, April 10
Search for Chametz - Bedikat Chametz	Thursday night, April 10
Burning of Chametz (before 11:33)	Friday, April 11
Prohibition of eating Chametz begins at 10:15 am	Shabbat April 12
Sedarim	Saturday evening, April 12 & Sunday evening April 13
Eat the Afikomen no later than 12:51 am	April 12 & 13
Chol Hamoed (Intermediate Days)	Monday April 14-Friday April 18
Last Days of Yom Tov-Friday evening April 18-Sunday evening April 20	

Pesach utensils before bringing Chametz into your house. *And remember, there is a big Mitzva to eat Matza with enthusiasm and gusto on the First night of Pesach. There is no mitzva to eat Chametz after Pesach!!!*

Please call me at home (847) 676-0556 or at the synagogue (847) 679-9800 if you have any questions about these or other issues, including how to "kasher" appliances and utensils for Pesach (*Rabbi Ben Zion's [shiur on this topic is online](#)*, or see the summary below, including videos from the cRc). A Chag Kasher V'samayach, and on this Pesach, may we merit the ultimate redemption.

Brief Laws of Kashering Your Kitchen for Pesach

by Rabbi Ben Zion Lazovsky

Kashering your kitchen for Pesach is never easy. Below are some main points on Kashering. Please ask any Rabbi Lazovsky for more details or even to see if your situation differs from what is listed below. We are always happy to

**On the Hagaddah
Morah Gadol - Zu Giluy Shechina
by Rabbi Eli Lazovsky**

In the Hagddah we have a Pasuk from Ki Savo with the following prooftexts

“And Hashem took us out of Egypt with a strong hand, outstretched arm, and *morah gadol*, with signs and wonders.

I want to point out that *Morah Gadol* can mean with great awe, as ArtScroll translates it, or as "seeing something great" as the prooftext, from Devarim 4 indicates - "uvmoraim gedolim - with great sights." Notice too that the next pasuk there atah horeisa ladaas - I have SHOWN you uses the same verb as morah, making it more likely this verb means seeing, not awe.

"I will pass through the land of Egypt," I and not an angel;

"And I will smite every first-born in the land of Egypt," I and not a seraph;

"And I will carry out judgments against all the gods of Egypt," I and not a messenger;

"I- the L rd," it is I, and none other!

"With a strong hand," this refers to the dever (pestilence) as it is said: "Behold, the hand of the L rd will be upon your livestock in the field, upon the horses, the donkeys, the camels, the herds and the flocks, a very severe pestilence."

"And with an outstretched arm," this refers to the sword, as it is said: "His sword was drawn, in his hand, stretched out over Jerusalem."

"And with *morah gadol*" this refers to the revelation of the Shechinah (Divine Presence), as it is said: "Has any G d ever tried to take for himself a nation from the midst of another nation, with trials, signs and wonders, with war and with a strong hand and an outstretched arm, and with great manifestations, like all that the L-rd your G-d, did for you in Egypt before your eyes!"

"And with signs," this refers to the staff, as it is said: "Take into your hand this staff with which you shall perform the signs."

"And wonders," this refers to the blood, as it is said: "And I shall show wonders in heaven and on earth. Blood, and fire, and pillars of smoke.

If you look at all these drashos, we see the Hagaddah's (really Sifri) prooftext that each of these events - I passed through Egypt on that night; with a strong hand; with an outstretched arm; with great sights; and signs; and wonders - you might have thought each of these was not a miracle, so we have a prooftext for each of them that it was a miracle.

However, if you look at the prooftext for *uv'Morah gadol*, its prooftext includes a prooftext for all the other words in the pasuk - bemasos; bemofsim; milchama (can be connected to either of or next to); bemasos; bemofsim, beyad chazaka; bizroa netuya. Why does the Hagaddah bring individual prooftexts to each word in the pasuk if this one prooftext can prove all of the miracles in the pasuk?

Based on Rabbi Juzint's Chain of Miracles introduction, there are two types of miracles. The first I call statistical miracles - it can happen in nature maybe 1 in 1,000 or 1 in 1,000,000 (or other probability), or it happened because it is a miracle. The second type is a miracle of changed nature - it is impossible for an event to happen unless it was a miracle. (He actually has a third type, actually the initial type - a miracle which is so ingrained in nature we forget it is a miracle - like waking up in the morning.)

When each of the miracles listed in this pasuk occurred, there was maybe a 1 in 1,000,000 chance it was a coincidence and not a miracle. So the Hagaddah brings a prooftext to each that it really was a miracle. But when you take all those events combined - what is the probability that six one-in-a-million events all happen (for independent events, we would multiply all the probabilities)? It is impossible to be a coincidence. It can only be a miracle. This is what the prooftext of *uv'Morah Gadol* is telling us. When we look at all these events together, it was a miracle for all to see. It was impossible to attribute it to a highly unlikely event. This is why this prooftext includes all the other miracles - it shows all of them together were an undeniable miracle, and with an undeniable miracle we see Hashem's Hand in it. It was a qualitatively different miracles than the individual miracles listed in the same pasuk, which could have been statistical miracles (but were not). This one could not have been a statistical miracle.

SELLING THE CHAMETZ - IMMEDIATE ACTION REQUIRED!!!

Any "Chametz" which an individual desires to use after Passover must not only be stored in a separate place in the home where it is not seen during the holiday, but it must also be considered as not belonging to the individual for that period. This is effected by authorizing the Rabbi to sell the "Chametz" and the place where the "Chametz" is found to a non-Jew. Rabbi Lazovsky is available to sell the Chametz at his home, at the shul or by special appointment. Please call (847) 676-0556 to make the necessary arrangements.

You may scan & email this form to bhhkmal@yahoo.com
The form must be received by the Rabbi no later than Sunday, April 6, 2025.

Fill in the date, your name, home and business addresses, and sign the form. [Print it from our website](#)

~~~~~`Detach & Return`~~~~~

**IF YOU WILL NOT BE IN THE CHICAGO METRO AREA FOR PASSOVER PLEASE INDICATE THE CITY AND TIME ZONE WHERE YOU WILL BE:**

City: \_\_\_\_\_ TIME ZONE: \_\_\_\_\_ hours ahead/behind Chicago

I \_\_\_\_\_ hereby authorize Rabbi Louis Lazovsky as my agent with the power of attorney to sell all foods and items of Chametz in accordance with the requirements of Jewish Law, including leasing all the area(s) in my possession where there is Chametz. This sale includes, but is not limited to, Chametz found at the following addresses:

- \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_
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Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**PASSOVER YIZKOR MEMORIAL SERVICES**

Yizkor is always recited on the last day of Passover. This year, Yizkor will be recited on Sunday April 20. The congregation will continue to observe Yizkor for all who have a plaque. For those that do not have a plaque who want Yizkor recited, please make certain that we properly remember the names of our departed loved ones. In order to do this, we request that you fill in the **HEBREW** first name of your departed loved one, as well as the **HEBREW** first name of their father in the space provided below. You can submit as many names as you need, just make extra copies of the form, or write all of the names on a separate piece of paper and return them to the rabbi in the enclosed envelope.

Please remember that in the Yizkor prayer we recite that the soul of the departed should rest in eternal paradise on the merit of charity given in their name.

Please write the Hebrew Name of the Deceased and the Hebrew name of the deceased's father.

Name Father

- \_\_\_\_\_ BEN/BAT \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ BEN/BAT \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ BEN/BAT \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ BEN/BAT \_\_\_\_\_

## SHABBAT & HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

|                             | Date      | Candle Lighting | Erev Mincha    | Shacharit         | Mincha  |
|-----------------------------|-----------|-----------------|----------------|-------------------|---------|
| Vayakhel (Parah)            | 3/21-3/22 | 6:45 pm         | 6:50 pm        | 8:45 am           | 6:35 pm |
| Pikudei (Hachodesh)         | 3/28-3/29 | 6:52 pm         | 6:55 pm        | 8:45 am           | 6:45 pm |
| Vayikra                     | 4/4-4/5   | 7:00 pm         | 7:05 pm        | 8:45 am           | 6:50 pm |
| Tzav (Hagadol)              | 4/11-4/12 | 7:08 pm         | 7:10 pm        | 8:45 am           | 7:10 pm |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> Day Pesach  | 4/12-4/13 | 8:11 pm         | 7:10 pm        | 8:45 am           | 7:15 pm |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> Day Pesach  | 4/13-4/14 | 8:12 pm         | 7:15 pm        | 8:45 am           | 7:15 pm |
| 7 <sup>th</sup> Day Pesach  | 4/18-4/19 | 7:16 pm         | 7:20 pm        | 8:45 am           | 7:20 pm |
| 8 <sup>th</sup> Day Pesach  | 4/19-4/20 | 8:19 pm         | 7:20 pm        | 8:45 am<br>Yizkor | 7:20 pm |
| Shmini                      | 4/25-4/26 | 7:24 pm         | <b>7:00 pm</b> | 8:45 am           | 7:15 pm |
| Tazria-Metzora              | 5/2-5/3   | 7:31 pm         | <b>7:00 pm</b> | 8:45 am           | 7:20 pm |
| Acharei Mot- Kedoshim       | 5/9-5/10  | 7:39 pm         | <b>7:00 pm</b> | 8:45 am           | 7:30 pm |
| Emor                        | 5/16-5/17 | 7:46 pm         | <b>7:00 pm</b> | 8:45 am           | 7:35 pm |
| Behar-Bechukosai            | 5/23-5/24 | 7:53 pm         | <b>7:00 pm</b> | 8:45 am           | 7:45 pm |
| Bamidbar                    | 5/30-5/31 | 7:59 pm         | <b>7:00 pm</b> | 8:45 am           | 7:55 pm |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> Day Shavuot | 6/1-6/2   | 8:00 pm         | 8:05 pm        | 8:45 am           | 8:05 pm |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> Day Shavuot | 6/2-6/3   | 9:03 pm         | 8:05 pm        | 8:45 am           | 8:05 pm |
| Naso                        | 6/6-6/7   | 8:04 pm         | <b>7:00 pm</b> | 8:45 am           | 7:55 pm |

If you have a chiyuv - obligation to daven or require an Aliya, please inform Rabbi Lazovsky before Shabbat. To sponsor a kiddush or shalashudos, please contact the office or call Judy Whisler at (847) 677-2281.

### WEEKDAY SCHEDULE

#### Minyan Times

#### Shacharit

Sunday: 8:00 am

Monday-Friday: 6:00 am

#### Mincha-Maariv

Sunday-Thursday:

10 minutes before sundown

#### Classes

Sunday Morning at 10:30 am: Parsha Class in the Weekly Sedra. Given by Rabbi Moshe Soloveichik on Zoom Meeting ID: 879 4850 7611

Password: 178417

Wednesdays before Mincha: Talmud Shiur studying Gemara Kesuvos in Shul and on Zoom: Meeting ID: 810 8264 8249 Password: 028366

*For more learning opportunities, contact Rabbis B. or E. Lazovsky*

Search For Chametz Thursday Night April 10  
Fast of the Firstborn Thursday April 10 (Siyum in Shul)  
Pesach - First Seder Saturday Night April 12

Yom Hashoah - Thursday April 24  
Yom Ha'Atzma'ut - Shabbat May 3  
Lag B'Omer - Friday May 16  
Shavuot - Sunday night June 1

Beginning After Pesach, Friday Mincha will be at 7:00 pm. (Early Shabbat)

**Malamud Reference Library** - Come and Learn from any of the hundreds of titles in our library.

**Lending Library** Members may borrow books from our Lending Library, located on the south side of the Social Hall.

**Tape Lending Library** We have tapes and digital audio files on many topics including Chumash, Talmud and Mussar.