



קליהל קהלה



The weekly newsheet of Clayhall United Synagogue

Shabbat 5 February 2005/26 Shevat 5765

Service Times (Shabbat Mevarachim)

Shacharit	9.00 am
Minchah followed by Seudah	4.15 pm
Ma'ariv & Shabbat ends	5.46 pm
Kabbalat Shabbat next Friday	4.53 pm

We welcome **Mr Jonny Levy** to Clayhall this Shabbat as our guest Ba'al Koreh. He will also be delivering a D'var Torah during the Seudah. Today is Shabbat Mevarachim when we shall recite Birchat Ha'Chodesh for the new month of Adar 1. The molad (the sighting of the New Moon in Jerusalem) is next Wednesday at 4.56 am and 4 Chalokim. A day is divided into 24 hours and each hour is divided into 1080 parts called Chalokim. Therefore 18 Chalokim are 1 minute. Rosh Chodesh is next Wednesday and Thursday 9th & 10th February. We will be davening Shacharit as usual at 7.00 am.

Reading of the Torah

Sedrah synopsis:

Ethan Sapler

Leyning: Mishpatim

Jonny Levy

Hertz p 306, Soncino p 471

Haftorah:

Alexander Segall

Hertz p 323, Soncino p 497

It is Day 12 of the '60 Days for 60 Years Project' and the essay on page 35 of the *Tribe* book is called 'How a Nazi's son became Jewish' by Dr James Weiss of Manhattan College, New York.



This week's 'Clayhall Kehilla' has been kindly sponsored by the Ereira family to wish Anton Bracha V'Hatzlacha on his forthcoming trip to Israel

Children's & Youth Services

Reception to School Year 6

10.15 am – 11.15 am

School Years 7 plus

10.15 am – 11.30 am

Weekday Services

Shacharit: Monday to Friday, 7.00 am. Sunday @ 8.15 am.

Minchah: 1.15 pm, Monday to Thursday.

Ma'ariv: 7.30 pm every Tuesday evening.

Sunday breakfasts: 13 February, 13 March, 10 April, 8 May.

Hospital & Home Visits



Should anyone you know be unfortunately unwell, please let the Shul office know. We will arrange an appropriate visit, phone call and/or shopping.

Holocaust Event

Clayhall Synagogue is planning an appropriate event to mark the project **'60 Days for 60 Years – Remembering the Past to Build the Future.'**

Please keep the evening of **Tuesday 1 March 2005** free as Sinclair House has been booked. The exact format and structure has yet to be worked out but, if you have any ideas or comments, the Honorary Officers would be happy to hear them.

60 Days for 60 Years

This incredible project began on **25 January 2005** and Clayhall is playing a full part. The special books were sent out last week to families. Our synagogue has been twinned with the towns of **Zhitomer, Rodcyce, Narodichi** and our learning will be in the Zichus (memory) of our brethren murdered from those places. It is worth seeing the special website that has been created on

www.tribeuk.com as this includes a moving video with the Chief Rabbi and a full explanation of why this project is so important and unique. It also links into Yad Vashem's site.

US Shabbat weekend

This takes place on 4/5 March and the theme is Shamor V'Zachor (Guard & Remember). We intend to run a series of events, possibly including a Youth Friday night dinner and a Shabbat lunch with a guest speaker for all the community. Help and ideas are both welcome!

Daily Weekday davening – put your name on the rota!

We are thrilled that our daily Shacharit Services successfully continued into their second full week. We are also delighted that Rabbi James Kennard has joined our Minyan. No-one can say that we are not a full-time Shul any more! However, any Minyan requires 10 males over the age of 13 years. **Your Shul truly does need you** – once a week, once a fortnight – so long as you can give just a little regular commitment. A rota has been created and this is displayed on the notice board. Please add your own name to the rota by speaking to the Wardens or Michael Bash – the more we have, the greater the *Kavanah*. It also means that if someone is unfortunately not able to attend one morning, the Minyan is still viable. You can never have too many people so please support your Shul.

Ladies Guild Trip to France, 13 March. Full details sent out last week!

Israeli Dancing

All ladies are invited to learn **Israeli and Simchah dancing** at Ilford Jewish Primary School. It is a 4-week course starting at 8.00 pm, Wednesday 2 March and then on the 9th, 16th & 23rd March. The lessons are just **£10** for the whole course. Phone the school office on **020 8551 4294** to book your place and ensure that you can dance the right steps at the next Simchah!

Special Birthday celebration?

You can have a special birthday or anniversary announced in the '*Jewish News*' by telling the Shul office at least 3 weeks in advance. This is a free service provided by the United Synagogue.

Ladies Rosh Chodesh Group

The next talk and discussion takes place on **Wednesday 9 February** at the home of Anne Yeshin. All ladies are warmly welcomed. There is a small donation of £1.50 to cover costs. Speakers have been lined up for the next six months for a blend of discussion, practical ideas and answers to many questions! The next three speakers are:

9 February: Miss Melanie Shutz

9 March: Mrs Samantha Hambling ('Purim')

13 April: Rebbetzen Nechamah Rus Kahan ('Cooking, Cleaning and Keeping Calm!' This is a pre-Pesach session).

A Torah Thought: Second and Third Ascents

'Come up to Me to the mountain' (Shemot 24:12). Hashem told this to Moshe after giving the Torah. Moshe went up and learned the entire Torah, all 613 mitzvot. Yehoshua, his disciple, accompanied him to the foot of the mountain. He set his tent at the foot of the mountain and remained there for the forty days that Moshe was on the mount. Moshe told the elders to stay with the people and act as their judges. He also told Miriam's son Chur to judge them. When Moshe went up the mountain a cloud covered it, remaining until the sixth day of Sivan, when G-d gave the Torah (Shavuot). Immediately after the Giving of the Torah, he went up the mountain again, remaining there for forty days and forty nights. We are told this to show Moshe's greatness. He was like an angel who neither eats nor drinks. Because Moshe was on the mountain for forty days learning Torah, his face was so luminous for forty years that no one could look directly at him, and he covered his radiance with a veil. This radiance remained with him until his death. For every day that he remained on the mountain, he lived for one year. We see that he was on the mountain three times, for forty days each time, totalling 120 days. Indeed, he lived to one hundred and twenty years. For the six days preceding Matan Torah, Moshe was covered by a cloud. On the seventh day, G-d made a path through the cloud, and Moshe followed it and spoke to Hashem.

On-line Newsletter

Don't forget that the *Clayhall Kehilla* newsletter is available on-line **every Thursday** before Shabbat – so if you want to keep ahead, or need to write down important telephone numbers and addresses, log on to the Shul website at the address below. The last **26** copies are can also be seen on the website – if you like!

Rabbi Recruitment

The closing date for applications for the post of Clayhall Rabbi has now passed. Our selection committee has assessed the candidates and first interviews are planned for early March. We will keep you informed of future developments but, naturally, the process is totally private and confidential. We hope to finish the process by Pesach.

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