

KOL KINLOSS



70 children
from Yrs 3-6
enjoyed a first ever
Motzei Madness
event



Rosh
Chodesh
Tevet is on
Shabbat &
Sunday

שבת ראש
חודש חנוכה
מקץ

Service Starts: 3.30pm
Candle lighting: 3.38pm
Shabbat Ends: 4.47pm

**SHABBAT ROSH
CHODESH CHANUKAH
MIKEITZ**

SHABBAT AT KINLOSS

FRIDAY NIGHT

- 3.04pm **EARLIEST TIME TO LIGHT CHANUKAH CANDLES FOLLOWED BY SHABBAT CANDLES**
3.25pm **SEPHARDI MINCHA, KABBALAT SHABBAT & ARVIT** in the Sephardi Synagogue
3.30pm **MINCHA FOLLOWED BY MINYAN LASHIR KABBALAT SHABBAT**
in the Deal Halls.
3.30pm **SHIRAT NESHAMA** in the Silver Suite celebrating
ORA JOSEPHS' BAT MITZVAH
3.38pm **CANDLE LIGHTING**

MAZEL TOV
TO
ORA JOSEPHS ON
HER
BAR MITZVAH

ORA will speak following the service in the Large Deal Hall,
after which the whole community is invited to kiddush in the Kinloss Suite

SHABBAT MORNING SERVICES

- 7.45am **HASHKAMA** in the Liora Graham Beit Midrash
9.00am **SEPHARDI SERVICE** in the Sephardi Synagogue
9.15am **MAIN SERVICE** in the Main Synagogue
9.15am **THE MINYAN** in the Nissan & Rifca Deal Hall
9.15am **MINYAN HATZA'IR** in the Silver Suite
9.45am **YOUTH SERVICE** in the Liora Graham Beit Midrash

WOMEN'S HAFTORAH GROUP in the Newman Room (approx. 10.45am). Haftorah will be read by Hannah Cohen and Rimona Weil will be speaking.



10.15am
ANIM ZEMIROT CLUB
IN THE NEWMAN ROOM
LED BY DAVID LESSER

10.45am CHILDREN'S SERVICES

Age 0-4 in the Kinloss Suite Foyer
Reception - Yr 2 in the Nemetnejad Room with Natalie
Yr 3-4 in the 1st floor classrooms with Amitai and Louis
Yr 5-6 in the Newman Room with Ora and Ari

BNEI
AKIVA IS NOT
TAKING PLACE
THIS SHABBAT.
RESTARTS ON
10th JANUARY

- 12.30pm **EARLY MINCHA** in the Main Synagogue

SHABBAT AFTERNOON

- 3.30pm **MINCHA** followed by a light Seuda Shlishit and **SHIUR** in the Liora Graham Beit Midrash with **RABBI BIRNBAUM**, entitled '**THE MESSAGE & MEANING OF MAOZ TZUR**'.

The Shiur will take place during the last half hour of Shabbat (4:15pm)

- 4.47pm **MA'ARIV & SHABBAT ENDS**

- 5:30pm **MUSICAL HAVDALA & COMMUNITY CHANUKAH PARTY (MORE DETAILS INSIDE)**

KIDDUSHIM AT KINLOSS



FRIDAY NIGHT KIDDUSH in the Kinloss Suite sponsored by **LARA & HOWARD JOSEPHS** to celebrate **ORA'S BAT MITZVAH**

Shabbat morning at the conclusion of the:

HASHKAMA in the Rabstein Room

MINYAN HATZA'IR in the Silver Suite sponsored by **ZOE TAMAR**

YOUTH KIDDUSH in the Liora Graham Beit Hamidrash sponsored by **LARA & HOWARD JOSEPHS** to celebrate **ORA'S BAT MITZVAH & ARIELLA'S 15th BIRTHDAY**

The entire community is invited to kiddush at the conclusion of the **MAIN SERVICE & THE MINYAN** sponsored by **DEBRA & SIMON DUNITZ** to celebrate their forthcoming **ALIYAH**

To sponsor a Kiddush please contact Ian in the Shul Office 020 8346 8551 / ian.kamiel@kinloss.org.uk

MAZEL TOV



ORA JOSEPHS

Ora attends Haberdashers Girls and loves hanging out with her friends and spending time with animals. She is a thrill seeker who enjoys singing, playing netball and football, trampolining, dancing, and art.

For her Bat Mitzvah Ora has taken part in the Camp Simcha Bnei Mitzvah Programme and hopes to complete the Bnei Mitzvah Charity Challenge (mountain climbing!) in the summer.

Mazel Tov to Lara & Howard, Natan and Ariella Josephs on Ora's Bat Mitzvah and Grandparents Hilary & Victor Batchat and Harvey Josephs. Lovingly remembering Ora's Grandma, Shirley Josephs, at this special time.

Mazel Tov to Audrey Kelvin on the birth of a great granddaughter. Mazel Tov to parents Shai & Kerren Hummel and older sister Hadassah. Mazel Tov also to grandparents Alan & Janice Leibowitz and Lawrence & Janine Hummel.

BIRTHDAYS



Mazel Tov to the children in our community celebrating their birthdays this week:

Isaac Bataller (9), Jake Goodman (9), Max Cohen (7),
Tamar Klein (6), Joseph Lazarov (4), Matilda Green (6),
Felicity Sandberg (5), Sadie Joseph (6), Levi Rosenberg (4),
Noam Shaer (12), Dylan Cowan (6)

WEEKLY SHIURIM

Day	Time	Topic	Given By	Venue	Open To
Friday	8.45 – 9.15am	*Rav S R Hirsch on the Parsha	Rabbi Josh	Beit Midrash	All
	10.30 – 11.10am	Divrei Torah for the Shabbat Table	Rabbi Fine	Zoom	All
Shabbat	8.45 - 9.15am	Rambam: Laws of Illicit Relations	Rabbi Dr Zarum	Deal Hall	All
	Between Mincha & Maariv	Contemporary Jewish Topics	Rabbi Birnbaum/ Rabbi Josh	Beit Midrash	All
Sunday	8.45 – 9.30am	Gemara Megilla	Rabbi Birnbaum	Deal Hall	All
Monday	1.30 – 2.10pm	Key Themes in Sefer Devarim	Rabbi Fine	Zoom	Women
Tuesday	8.40 – 9.15am	Sefer Pele Yoetz – Encyclopaedia of Judaism	Rabbi Fine	Beit Midrash	All
	8.15 - 9.15pm	*L'Chaim & Learn	Rabbi Josh	Rabbi Josh's home	All
Wednesday	8.45 – 9.30am	Gemara Berachot	Rabbi Birnbaum	Beit Midrash	All
	8.00 - 8.45pm	Timeless Torah Parsha Shiur	Rabbi Birnbaum	Beit Midrash	All
Thursday	8.50 - 9.30am	Gemara Pesachim - 10 th Perek	Rabbi Heller	Beit Midrash	All
	8:50 - 9:30pm	*Advanced Hilchot Shabbat	Rabbi Birnbaum	Beit Midrash	Women

Daily: Daf Yomi with Rabbi Moshe Sampson
Nemetnejad Room: 8.00 – 9.00am (Sunday 9.00 – 10.00am)
Monday-Friday: Advanced Gemara Shiur with Rabbi Heller
Persian Sephardi Synagogue: 7.45 – 8.15am

* indicates not taking place this week

AT KINLOSS

MONTHLY SHIURIM

Next Dates	Time	Topic	Given By	Venue	Open To
10th January, 10th February	8pm– 8.45pm	Women's Rosh Chodesh Shiur (The Book of Shoftim)	Rebbetzen Tali	Beit Midrash	Women
15th January	12.30 pm – 1.30pm	Shiur 'Eitz Chaim'	Rabbi & Rebbetzen Birnbaum	Members' Home. <i>Contact Samantha Sussman (020 8349 5269) for the address</i>	Those in the year of mourning or marking a Yahrzeit
17th January	11:45am – 12:05pm	Horim V'Yeladim	Rabbi Josh & Rebbetzen Tali	Large Deal Hall	Primary School Children & their Parents



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TIMELESS ∞ TORAH

MIKEITZ: Coping With Change: The Art of Spiritual Adaptation

From Slave to Sovereign

Throughout the long narrative of Yosef and his brothers, there is a consistent theme of adaptation and growth in the face of change. The most obvious place this is found, of course, is in Yosef himself, whose life went through – in an instant – a staggering metamorphosis. The Gemara (Sotah 36b) records a fascinating exchange between Pharaoh and his advisors when Pharaoh announced his intention to appoint Yosef as the viceroy of Egypt. Amazed at this prospect, the advisors argued that a slave could not possibly be raised to a position of rulership. Pharaoh responded, however, that he could see trappings of royalty about Yosef. Something in Yosef's demeanour persuaded Pharaoh that he was able to rule Egypt.

The Gemara continues to relate that the advisors, not entirely convinced by Pharaoh's observations, requested that Yosef be tested in his proficiency at foreign languages. That night, before the examination began, the angel Gavriel came to Yosef and taught him what he needed to know, but for some reason, Yosef was unable to absorb the information until Hashem added the letter hey to his name, as the verse in Tehillim states, '*Edut biYehosef samo ... sfat lo yadaati eshma*' (Tehillim 81:6; Song of the Day, Thursday).

In this passage, the Sages are showing us various perspectives on Yosef's change in circumstances. Yosef began his life in Egypt as a slave, and the ministers of the king could not see any change about him at all. As the *Sar HaMashkim*, the Chief Butler, put it, 'He is a Jewish lad, a slave' (41:12).

Governed by a self-centred concern for their own careers, the Chizkuni explains, Pharaoh's ministers were unable to detect Yosef's true qualities. Pharaoh, however, as a ruler, saw in Yosef the sensitivities needed in order to govern. He noted Yosef's humility in his insistence on attributing his abilities to Hashem rather than to his own brilliance – 'Not I, but Hashem will answer the peace of Pharaoh' (41:16) – and he knew how crucial this was for a position of power.

Neither Pharaoh nor his advisors, however, saw the real extent of Yosef's self-growth. Much as many of the hostages released from Gaza have shown how they built a remarkable sense of faith through their imprisonment, Yosef too, in the depths of the Egyptian dungeons, grew from being a young lad to forging a close bond with Hashem, fully appreciative of the fact that everything he experienced in life was Divinely sent. This was the message of the added letter to Yosef's name. Yosef was being told to always remember that whatever honour and power he would receive, he would need to always be cognisant of where his success came from.

Faith in Darkness

When Yaakov is finally persuaded to allow the brothers to return to Egypt with Bin-yamin, he prepares them with sufficient money to cover any mishaps as well as a lavish gift to appease the Egyptian ruler. Having made these preparations, Yaakov then prays for their success: 'And may *Kel Shakkai* give you mercy before the man' (43:14). By using this particular Divine Name in this prayer (consisting of the letters *shin daled yud*, pronounced *Shakkai* when not read as part of a scriptural verse), Yaakov displayed his perception on his own journey through life.



Contemporary Perspectives on the Weekly Parsha with Rabbi Dr Yoni Birnbaum

Wednesdays - 8.00-8.45pm | In-person at Kinloss

Sponsored by Laura & David Basrawy to Celebrate Henry Garfinkel's Forthcoming Birthday
and to Commemorate David's Late Father's Birthday

Rashi explains that the Name is related to the word '*dai* – enough'. Here, Yaakov was evoking Hashem's Attribute of having 'sufficient' mercy and ability to provide a favourable outcome. Alternatively, explains Rashi, Yaakov was praying that the One Who created physical limits in Creation by saying '*dai* – enough' should say, 'Enough!' too to my own struggles.

Expounding on this Rashi, Rav Shimon Schwab (d.1995) demonstrates that whereas Avraham's mission was to develop a whole-hearted devotion to Hashem and Yitzchak's mission was to dedicate his very life to Hashem's service, Yaakov's unique mission was '*bchol me'odecha* – recognising Hashem's presence in every single step of his life, every single '*middah* – measure' meted out to him. Yaakov represents the power of prayer when everything seems helpless and the future seems bleak. He had experienced so many deep struggles throughout his lifetime, yet always kept his perspective, and his prayer now was that his acceptance of Hashem's will should have already proven his dedication to Hashem's service, thereby allowing salvation from this particular trial.

In expressing this idea to Yehudah and the rest of the brothers, Yaakov was imparting to them that they must also focus on Hashem's intimate involvement in all they were destined to experience. Through allowing this perspective to change their attitude towards anything they might face, they could hope to be successful in their mission.

The Art of Adaptation

Indeed, this message seems to have found its mark. When the brothers are arrested after Binyamin's supposed theft of the goblet, Yehudah's response to Yosef's accusations

is '*Elokim matza et avon avadecha* – Hashem has found the iniquity of your servants' (44:16). Rashi explains that Yehudah was really referring not to the theft of the goblet, but to his and his brothers' own sin of the sale of Yosef. At this point, the brothers came to the point that they could admit their wrongdoing and appreciate why they had to undergo such a difficult test.

Remarkably, Yehudah's statement at this point is reminiscent of Yosef's response to Pharaoh at the beginning of the parshah: '*biladai Elokim yaaneh et shelom Par'o* – It is not I, but Hashem Who will answer the peace of Pharaoh' (41:16). Just as the added letter *hey* in Yosef's name helped him to remember constantly that only Hashem was behind all of his successes, Yehudah had now learned how to accomplish his own role: to understand that Hashem was accompanying him through every ordeal and had the ability to continue or to stop his distress at any moment. This is the depth of meaning behind the Name of Hashem (*shin daled yud* – *Shakka'i*) that Yaakov had used before they left Canaan.

Thus, this parshah provides the catalyst that allowed the rebuilding of Yaakov's family. Finding Hashem's presence in every situation that one finds oneself in is the key to the art of spiritual adaptation. With this tool, Yosef retained his confident humility even in his role of one of the world's most powerful men; Yaakov attained his mission of revealing Hashem's presence in the midst of darkness; and Yehudah and the brothers reached a sense of clarity in the consequences of their actions.

Next Week - VAYIGASH: From Crisis to Connection: The Hidden Ascent

COMING UP

GROUPS AND CLUBS



TUESDAY 10.30AM
FRIENDSHIP CLUB
KINLOSS.ORG.UK/FRIEND



TUESDAY 2.00PM
BRIDGE
KINLOSS.ORG.UK/BRIDGE

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TUESDAY 7.30PM
IVRIT CLASSES
KINLOSS.ORG.UK/IVRIT



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UPCOMING EVENTS

MON
22ND DEC
11:00AM

CHAPS FOR CHAT & MONDAY MATTERS

End of year Chanukah event

Book now at www.kinloss.org.uk/speaker
or call Rochelle on 020 8349 5263

THIS
WEEK!

Chanukah Candle Lighting & Party

A SPECIAL EVENT FOR THE ENTIRE COMMUNITY



Motzei Shabbat 20 December
5.30pm-7.00pm

Havdalah & Music by the amazing Rafi Sandford
Chanukiah Lighting

Doughnuts, Popcorn & Candy Floss

Candle Decorating

Photo Booth



**Including an Innovative LED
Light Show Performance!**

DON'T MISS IT!



THIS
WEEK!

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Kinloss Community Shabbaton

WITH SPECIAL GUEST EITAN KATZ

TO LAUNCH **KINLOSS 100**

SHABBAT 6-7 FEBRUARY 2026



(4:40PM) KABBALAT SHABBAT WITH EITAN KATZ
FOLLOWED BY FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER WITH THE
CHIEF RABBI

BOOK AT [KINLOSS.ORG.UK/100GALADINNER](https://kinloss.org.uk/100galadinner)

(8:45PM) ONEG SHABBAT WITH EITAN KATZ - NO BOOKING NECESSARY

COMBINED SERVICE (9.15AM) LED BY EITAN KATZ
FAMILY SHABBAT LUNCH WITH SPECIAL GUEST SPEAKER,
FULL CHILDREN'S AND YOUTH PROGRAMME

BOOK AT [KINLOSS.ORG.UK/100FAMLUNCH](https://kinloss.org.uk/100famllunch)

Yahrzeits

THE KHEILLA
WISHES
חיים ארוכים
'LONG LIFE' TO THE
FOLLOWING WHO
HAVE YAHRZEIT
THIS WEEK

Shabbat 20th December

Michelle Aminoff	Father
Brian Gedalla	Mother
Shirley Kenley	Father
Geoffrey Ralton	Father
Sonia Ralton	Father
Andrea Tankel	Father
Yair Ventura Wurman	Father

Sunday 21st December

David Clarke	Father
Trevor Gee	Brother
Simon Joseph	Father
Linda Myer	Father
Brian Silver	Father
Anthony Stanton	Mother
Josephine Symons	Father

Monday 22nd December

Sheila Forman	Father
Cynthia Rothman	Brother

Tuesday 23rd December

Shula Reyhanian	Father
Geoffrey Soll	Mother
Zena Wagner	Brother

Wednesday 24th December

Jonathan Cohen	Father
Claire Harris	Mother
Alfred Poser	Wife
Leonard Silver	Mother

Thursday 25th December

Cynthia Bengen	Father
Barbara Bleiberg	Mother
David Davis	Mother
Henrietta Fearnley	Father
Jocelyn Geffner	Father
Gloria Greenman	Husband
Marion Joseph	Mother
Rowena Rosenberg	Brother

Friday 26th December

Barbara Edwards	Sister
Sivi Harounoff	Brother
Susan Rozenthal	Father
Tanya Summers	Mother
Richard Woolfson	Mother
Hillel Zidel	Father

CONDOLENCES

Simin, Sabrina, Nicole Rahimzadeh and David Rahimzadeh on the passing of their husband, father and brother Bijan Rahimzadeh z'l

Estelle Gillis, Chana Richetti and Daniel & Shimon Gillis, and Sandra Rubin on the passing of their husband, father and brother Maurice Gillis z'l

CONSECRATIONS

Sunday, 11th January 2026, 1.45pm at Hoop Lane Cemetery in memory of Reuben Ezekiel z'l (father of Joanne Lappin)

Sunday 25th January 2026, 10.30am at Bushey New in memory of Philip Klinger z'l

Sunday 22nd February 2026, 11.00am at Bushey Old in memory of Roberta Sanford z'l

Sunday 22nd March 2026, 11.00am at 11.30am at Bushey Old in memory of Shirley Davidson z'l

Tuesday 24th March 2026, 11.00am at Bushey Old in memory of Harold Stewart z'l

SERVICE TIMES

SERVICES	Sun 21 st Dec 1 Tevet Rosh Chodesh Chanukah 8 th Night	Mon 22 nd Dec 2 Tevet	Tue 23 rd Dec 3 Tevet	Wed 24 th Dec 4 Tevet	Thur 25 th Dec (Bank Holiday) 5 Tevet	Fri 26 th Dec (Bank Holiday) 6 Tevet
Shacharit	8.00am	7.00am	7.00am	7.00am	8.00am	8.00am
Shacharit 2	-	8.00am	8.00am	8.00am	-	-
Sephardi Shacharit	8.00am	6.30am	6.45am	6.45am	8.00am	8.00am
Mincha / Ma'ariv	3.45pm	3.45pm	3.45pm	3.45pm	3.45pm	3.40pm



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