

KOL KINLOSS



Purim
Celebrations
at Kinloss

ויקהל
פי פרה

SHABBAT START

6.01pm

SHABBAT END

7.04pm

**VAYAKHEL
& PARAH**



21 / 22 March 2025

כ"ב אדר תשפ"ה



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SHABBAT AT KINLOSS

FRIDAY NIGHT

6.00pm Mincha, Kabbalat Shabbat and Maariv in the Large Deal Hall

6.00pm Minyan LaShir in the Liora Graham Beit Midrash

5.50pm Sephardi Mincha, Kabbalat Shabbat & Maariv

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

9.30am **THE MINYAN** in the Nissan & Rifca Deal Halls

9.30am **MINYAN HATZA'IR** in the Rabstein Room

9.45am **YOUTH SERVICE** in the Liora Graham Beit Midrash

10.45am CHILDREN'S SERVICES

Age 0-4 in the Silver Suite with Leah Frankl and Zac Simmons

Reception to Yr 2 in the Nemetnejad Room with Natalie Sommer

Yr 3-Yr 4 in the 1st floor classrooms with Jasmine Bor and Sam Ellis

Yr 5-Yr 6 in the Newman Room with Mia Wohlgemuth and Tomer Doctors

12.30pm **EARLY MINCHA** in the Main Shul

3.30pm - 5.30pm **BNEI AKIVA**

5.55pm **MINCHA** followed by a light Seuda Shlishit sponsored by Wayne & Ruth

Birnbaum in honour of the Yahrzeits of their respective fathers and **SHIUR** in the

Liora Graham Beit Midrash by **RABBI BIRNBAUM**, entitled '**AN OASIS IN TIME: NOT**

PREPARING ON SHABBAT FOR AFTER SHABBAT – A PRACTICAL HALACHIC GUIDE'



A topical shiur will take place each week approximately half an hour before the end of Shabbat - all welcome!

7.04pm **MA'ARIV & TERMINATION OF SHABBAT**

KIDDUSHIM AT KINLOSS

Friday Night Kiddush in the Kinloss Suite Foyer after Maariv sponsored by the Fhima family in celebration of **MIA'S BAT MITZVAH**

Shabbat morning at the conclusion of the:

HASHKAMA in the Silver Suite

MAIN SERVICE in the Kinloss Suite

THE MINYAN in the Small Deal Hall sponsored by Barbara & Jonny Zucker to celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary

MINYAN HATZA'IR in the Rabstein Room



10:15am
ANIM ZEMIROT CLUB
IN THE NEWMAN ROOM
LED BY DAVID LESSER

MAZEL TOV

Mazel Tov to Mia Fhima on her Bat Mitzvah. Mazel tov to parents Leah & Joel Fhima, sister Isabella and brother Gabi and grandparents Elizabeth & George Gaty and Elisheva & Mayer Fhima.

Mazel Tov to Barbara & Jonny Zucker on their 60th wedding anniversary.

Mazel Tov to Mimi & Maurice Benisty on the engagement of their son Joshua to Miri Klass, daughter of Charlotte & David Klass.

Mazel tov to Moishe Taub on his Aufruf this Shabbat and on his forthcoming marriage to Hila Rusin.

BIRTHDAYS



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

Jethro Pearlman (8), Ariel Gordon (11) Eden Hamburger(11),
Lielle Tenenblat (10), Erin Beenstock (8), Isabella Beenstock (8)
Bea Forman (10)




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Or email: volunteer@kinloss.org.uk

LEARNING AT KINLOSS

WEEKLY SHIURIM

Day	Time	Topic	Given By	Venue	Open To
Friday	8.45 – 9.15 AM	*Rav S R Hirsch on the Parsha	Rabbi Josh	Beit Midrash	All
	10.30 – 11.10 AM	The Derashot of Rabbi Isaac Bernstein	Rabbi Fine	Zoom	All
Shabbat	9.00 - 9.30AM	*Rambam: Laws of Illicit Relations	Rabbi Dr Zarum	Deal Hall	All
	Half an hour before Shabbat ends	Contemporary Themes	Rabbi Birnbaum / Rabbi Josh / Guests	Beit Midrash	All
Sunday	8.45 – 9.30 AM	Gemara Megilla	Rabbi Birnbaum	Small Deal Hall	All
Monday	1.30 – 2.10 PM	Key Themes in Sefer Devarim	Rabbi Fine	Zoom	Women
Tuesday	8.45 – 9.15 AM	Sefer Pele Yoetz – Encyclopaedia of Judaism	Rabbi Fine	Beit Midrash	All
Wednesday	8.45 – 9.15 AM	Gemara Berachot	Rabbi Birnbaum	Beit Midrash	All
	8.00 – 8.45 PM	Timeless Torah Parsha Shiur	Rabbi Birnbaum	Beit Midrash	All
	8.00 – 9.00 PM (fortnightly)	*KYC Gemara Chabura	Rabbi Josh	Members' Homes	Men
Thursday	8.50 – 9.15 AM	Nach - Kohelet	Rabbi Heller	Beit Midrash	All
	8.00 – 8.40 PM	Advanced Practical Halacha with Shalem Student Fellowship	Rabbi Birnbaum	Beit Midrash	Women
	8.30 – 9.30 PM (fortnightly)	*KYC Practical Halacha Chabura	Rabbi Josh	Members' Homes	Men

* Not taking place this week

LEARNING AT KINLOSS

MONTHLY SHIURIM

Next Dates	Time	Topic	Given By	Venue	Open To
4th Apr	10.00 – 11.00 AM	Highlights & Hot Drinks – Inspiration around the Jewish year	Rebbetzen Elisheva	Small Deal Hall	Women

SPECIAL SHIURIM

Date	Time	Topic	Given By	Venue	Open To
Monday 24th Mar	8.00 - 8.45 PM	A Halachic Guide to Erev Pesach on Shabbat	Rabbi Birnbaum	Small Deal Hall	All
Monday 31st Mar	8.00 - 9.30 PM	An Evening of Seder Inspiration	The Rabbinic Team	Silver Suite	All

THIS WEEK!

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

For further information on any of the outstanding learning opportunities on offer at Kinloss, please contact the Shul Office or the speaker directly.

TIMELESS TORAH

PARSHAT VAYAKHEL - The Power of a Covenantal Community

Gathering and Growing

Chronologically, this parshah, which deals with the construction of the Mishkan, comes in direct succession to the episode of the Golden Calf. We will discover that this sequence is critical to understanding the messages and meaning contained within it.

Rashi begins the parshah with two comments on the word 'vayakhel' — and he gathered'. Firstly, Rashi explains, this event happened on the day after Yom Kippur, immediately after Moshe descended from the mountain having achieved forgiveness for the Jewish people. Secondly, he continues, this word is from the grammatical stem *hiphil* (causative) and means that Moshe, rather than forcibly gathering the people together, said or did something that caused the people to gather of their own accord. In this way, this 'gathering' is a direct manifestation of the lesson learned from last week's parshah, in which Moshe distanced himself from the people and encouraged them to be proactive in their spirituality. At that point, after the Golden Calf, Moshe taught the people that just as he was a human being who had grown to great heights, every individual could also utilise their potential to grow by themselves without having to resort to intermediaries between them and the Divine. Here, we find that the lesson was accepted and the people gathered of their own accord, following Moshe's inspirational example.

The very last verses of last week's parshah, however, seem to be an anomaly in light of this interpretation.

The verses describe the radiant beams of light that emanated from Moshe's face after he descended from the mountain, which were so overwhelming that the people were afraid to draw near to him. What was the point of these beams of light? Surely, this would lead to the same pitfall that led to the sin of the Golden Calf, for if the people thought that Moshe was godlike, they would not strive to grow but would seek passive avenues to bring spirituality towards them. The Ohr Hachaim (d. 1743) contends that in fact the opposite was true. Specifically after having internalised the lessons of the Golden Calf, the people noticed Moshe's extraordinary stature and they felt inadequate in his presence. Observing how Moshe had realised the vast potential latent within every human being, they saw their own shortcomings and wondered how they could reach his level. For this reason, Moshe 'gathered **all** of the congregation', even those who might have become dispirited upon witnessing the rays of light, teaching them that their feelings of inadequacy could be a precursor to true growth. To illustrate the power of this message, the late Rabbi Dr Abraham J Twerski (d. 2021) highlighted in a famous short video clip the fact that a lobster is a small soft animal that lives inside a hard shell. As it grows, it begins to feel uncomfortable in its shell, as it is now too small to accommodate it. At that point, it seeks to change it for a larger one. Thus, it is the feeling of discomfort experienced by the lobster that is the prompt for it to grow. We, too, can take this analogy and realise that when we feel uncomfortable with our current status, this can be an impetus for us to grow spiritually.



Contemporary Perspectives on the Weekly Parsha with Rabbi Dr Yoni Birnbaum

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

Building on Unity

According to the Ramban, the gathering of Vayakhel was a direct instruction as to how to move forward following previous mistakes. Although Moshe had been commanded about the Mishkan before the sin of the Golden Calf, through telling the people about it at this juncture, he sought to convey to them that they had returned to their former spiritual level. In Parshat Terumah, the people had been informed that they would merit to have Hashem's *Shechinah* (Divine Presence) among them. Now, even after the devastating sin of the Golden Calf, they were told that they had been forgiven and they would still have that opportunity. But forgiven does not mean forgotten. Inside the Aron, in the most critical part of the Mishkan, lay not only the new *Luchot* (Tablets) but the broken shards of the old *Luchot*, as a reminder that one cannot necessarily turn the clock back and remove unfortunate events that have transpired, but one can always move forward and build on previous mistakes. This is the message of *vayakhel* — not everything that is broken can be healed but it can be brought together in realisation of a meaningful new aim.

Sacred Space, Sacred Time

Indeed, the concept of congregational service itself is a reflection of individual inadequacies. No single person can ever be complete in his or her service, but together, the congregation provides a symphony of perfection. In this vein, the Midrash tells us that the gathering of the Jewish people to build the Mishkan was more than just a

momentary meeting. Rather, Hashem was telling Moshe and his successors to build, throughout the generations, *shuls* and *batei medrash* to teach congregations about Hashem and his mitzvot. With these words of Torah, the people would be inspired to become representatives of Hashem and witnesses of His dominion. These ongoing national gatherings constitute the construction of *sacred spaces*, which are not only physical areas in which to pray, but are places in which entire congregations can unite and live out together the ideals that these spaces represent.

If the gathering to build a Mishkan gives us the idea of sacred space, a second theme running through these opening verses of the parshah is that of sacred time. Even before the Mishkan is mentioned in this parshah, the verses tell of the holiness of Shabbat. Our Sages explain that this is to tell us that the construction of the Mishkan may not take place on Shabbat; the holiness of Shabbat takes precedence over the importance of building the Mishkan. The idea here is that sometimes, when a community is involved in a project, there is a risk that they may forget the ultimate goal. But during the building of the Mishkan, however exhilarating the prospect of a national unifying project, its spiritual core was demonstrated every week when the construction stopped for Shabbat. This is a critical lesson for our efforts in community building. We must always remind ourselves of the ultimate spiritual objectives that lie at the heart of the reason for the existence of our congregational spaces.

Next Week: Pekudei - Completion & Realisation: The Last Stage of Exodus

COMING UP AT KINLOSS

GROUPS AND CLUBS



MONDAY 7.30PM
IVRIT DISCUSSION GROUP (ONLINE)
[KINLOSS.ORG.UK/CHUG](https://kinloss.org.uk/chug)



MONDAY 8PM
WOMEN'S PILATES
[KINLOSS.ORG.UK/PILATES](https://kinloss.org.uk/pilates)



TUESDAY 10.30AM
FRIENDSHIP CLUB
[KINLOSS.ORG.UK/FRIEND](https://kinloss.org.uk/friend)



TUESDAY 2.00PM
BRIDGE
[KINLOSS.ORG.UK/BRIDGE](https://kinloss.org.uk/bridge)

עברית

TUESDAY 7.30PM
IVRIT CLASSES
[KINLOSS.ORG.UK/IVRIT](https://kinloss.org.uk/ivrity)



THURSDAY 10.30AM
CHAIR BASED EXERCISE
[KINLOSS.ORG.UK/EXERCISE](https://kinloss.org.uk/exercise)



THURSDAY 5.30PM
JUNIOR TABLE TENNIS CLUB
[KINLOSS.ORG.UK/TABLETENNIS](https://kinloss.org.uk/tabletennis)



MONDAY 31ST MAR 11.00AM
CHAPS FOR CHAT
AND MONDAY MATTERS
KINLOSSCARES@KINLOSS.ORG.UK

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UPCOMING EVENTS

SHABBAT
28TH & 29TH
MARCH

BNEI AKIVA
KINLOSS SHABBAT HA'IRGUN

Book now at
www.bauk.org/shabbat-hairgun/kinloss-hairgun

TUES
1ST
APRIL
8pm

UNDERSTANDING OUR REACTIONS **POST OCTOBER 7TH**

Join JAMI to explore the impact of 7 October and make sense of our feelings as the conflict continues.

To book go to www.kinloss.org.uk/jami

SHABBAT
5TH
APRIL
11.45am

PRE-PESACH HORIM V'YELADIM

Join us in the Large Deal Hall for ten minutes of pre-Pesach parent-child learning, followed by a raffle.

SHABBAT
30TH/31ST
MAY

RABBI BIRNBAUM'S INDUCTION

Please save the date for the formal Induction Shabbat of Rabbi Birnbaum by the Chief Rabbi. More information to follow.



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PESACH

Get Ready for

PESACH 2025

KINLOSS

MONDAY 24 MARCH, 8PM-8.45PM

A Halachic Guide to Erev Pesach on Shabbat with Rabbi Birnbaum

MONDAY 31 MARCH, 8PM-9.30PM

An Evening of Seder Inspiration

Join Rabbi Birnbaum's keynote shiur on the Haggadah and then a choice of Shiurim given by Rabbi Josh Harris, Rebbetzen Elisheva Birnbaum or a Pesach cooking demonstration

THURSDAY 3 APRIL, 7.30PM-9PM

Hagalat Keilim - Opportunity to Kasher your Metal Utensils

FRIDAY 4 APRIL, 10AM-11AM

Women's Highlights & Hot Drinks with Rebbetzen Elisheva Birnbaum

SUNDAY 13 APRIL, 9PM (finish approx 12.30am)

Kinloss Communal Seder

Enjoy a meaningful, inspirational and interactive Seder with Rabbi and Rebbetzen Birnbaum and family

BOOKING ESSENTIAL
BEFORE 4 APRIL
www.kinloss.org.uk/seder

WEDNESDAY 16 APRIL, 8PM

University Students Dinner & Discussion at the Birnbaum's
RSVP in advance to office@kinloss.org.uk



YAHREZITS

Shabbat 22nd March

Ashley Brodin	Mother
Harold Ellis	Mother
Mahin Hakimian	Father
Pauline Harris	Mother
Heather Taylor	Husband

Sunday 23rd March

Davide Barzilai	Mother
Brian Clarke	Mother
Amanda Davis	Mother
Samantha Kay	Father
Anthony Korn	Father
Muriel Krieger	Mother
Eve Kugler	Husband
Miriam Langdon	Father
Sharon Lee	Mother
Harvey Plant	Father
Simon Sherrard	Father

Monday 24th March

Linda Davis	Mother
Brenda Freedman	Husband
Laurence Joseph	Father
Linda Lew	Husband
Pamela Rubens	Husband
Daniel Selby	Mother
Benjamin Shem-Tov	Father
Monty Zeid	Brother

Tuesday 25th March

Harvey Bengen	Brother
David Elek	Father
Audrey Godfrey	Mother
Deborah Harris	Husband
Vivienne Mervis	Father
Isaac Symons	Mother
Esther Yellon	Father

Wednesday 26th March

Harvey Bengen	Father
Gilda Braff	Father
Laurence Greenspan	Brother
Andrew Wolfson	Father

Thursday 27th March

Arnold Archer	Father
Jonathan Deal	Son
Deborah Goulden	Mother
Frances Greenfield	Mother
Alex Hajioff	Brother
Stephen Levy	Mother
Jonathan Lewis	Mother
Gillian Pdahtzur-Blank	Father
Geoffrey Solomon	Father
Miriam Solomon	Sister
Susan Sperber-Kosky	Father
Anthony Stanton	Father

Friday 28th March

Anne Chajet	Father
Charles Cohen	Father
Dara Ebrahimoff	Father
Shirley Freeman	Mother
Rosalind Goulden	Mother
Margaret Marks	Father
Sandrine Prager	Mother
Roselyn Rosenfeld	Mother
Valerie Selwyn	Father

THE KEHILLA WISHES

חיים ארוכים

**'LONG LIFE' TO THE
FOLLOWING WHO
HAVE YAHREZIT
THIS WEEK**

CONDOLENCES

To Sam Margolin, Jeremy, Julian and James Margolin on the passing of their wife and mother Miriam Margolin z"l

To family and friends of Cydllar Adler z"l

CONSECRATIONS

Sunday 30th March 2025, 12.00pm at
Bushey Old in memory of George Taylor z"l

Sunday 6th April 2025, 11.30am at Willesden
Old in memory of Philip Freedman z"l

Sunday 27th April 2025, 11.30am at East
Ham Cemetery in memory of Rose Ralton z"l

Sunday 27th April 2025, 12.30pm at Bushey
Old in memory of Beatrice Karp z"l

SERVICE TIMES

SERVICES	Sun 23rd 23 Adar	Mon 24th 24 Adar	Tues 25th 25 Adar	Wed 26th 26 Adar	Thurs 27th 27 Adar	Fri 28th 28 Adar
Shacharit	8:00am	7:00am	7:00am	7:00am	7:00am	7:00am
Shacharit 2	-	8:00am	8:00am	8:00am	8:00am	8:00am
Sephardi Shacharit	8:00am	6:30am	6:45am	6:45am	6:30am	7:00am
Mincha / Ma'ariv	6:05pm	6:05pm	6:05pm	6:05pm	6:05pm	6:10pm

KEEP IN TOUCH

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