

KOL KINLOSS

Chanukah
Celebration
at Kinloss
Motzei Shabbat
28 December 2024



ויגש

SHABBAT START

3:49pm

SHABBAT END

4:59pm

VAYIGASH

ד' טבת תשפ"ה

3 - 4 January 2025



KINLOSS

SHABBAT AT KINLOSS

FRIDAY NIGHT

3:45pm Mincha, Kabbalat Shabbat and Maariv in the Large Deal Hall

3.45pm Minyan La'Shir in the Liora Graham Beit Midrash

3:40pm 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 celebrating the Bar Mitzvah of **RAFI KOGAN**

9:30am **THE MINYAN** in the Nissan and Rifca Deal Halls

YOUTH SERVICE is on a break until 11th January

**MAZEL TOV
RAFI KOGAN
on his
Bar Mitzvah**

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

12:15pm **EARLY MINCHA** in the Main Shul

SHABBAT AFTERNOON

3:35pm **MINCHA** followed by a light Seuda Shlishit and **SHIUR** in the Liora Graham Beit Midrash by **RABBI JOSH HARRIS**, entitled '**THE EAST LONDON WEDDING**

CONTROVERSY OF JANUARY 8TH 1938: THE HALACHIC VIEW ON SEPARATE SEATING AT WEDDINGS'

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

4:59pm **MA'ARIV & TERMINATION OF SHABBAT**



KIDDUSHIM AT KINLOSS

Friday Night Chicken Soup Kiddush in the Small Deal Hall after Maariv sponsored by Susan & Laurence Kogan in celebration of Rafi's Bar Mitzvah

Shabbat morning at the conclusion of the:

HASHKAMA MINYAN in the Silver Suite

MAIN SHUL in the Kinloss Suite sponsored by Susan & Laurence Kogan in celebration of Rafi's Bar Mitzvah

MINYAN sponsored by Belinda & Jeremy Mindell to celebrate the 224th anniversary of the foundation of the United Kingdom



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

MAZEL TOV



Bar Mitzvah - RAFI KOGAN

Rafi attends JFS and his hobbies are art, graffiti, football and basketball. Rafi will be doing the Bnei Mitzvah Challenge to raise money for charity and is also taking part in the Camp Simcha Bnei Mitzvah Programme.

Mazel Tov also to parents Susan & Laurence, sister Talia and brother Sammy, Grandparents Vivian & Gerald Morgan and Edi Kogan Remembering late Grandma Marion Kogan z”l.

Mazel tov to Sarah and Neil Nachshen on the birth of a grandson in Israel. Mazel tov to parents Benji and Becca Nachshen, Great Grandma Dorothy Sadlik and all the Nachshen and Burg families.

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

Carmelle Jesner (8), Raphael Myer (7),
Daphne Myer (1), Shari Dunitz (10)



VOLUNTEERS



For more information visit: kinloss.org.uk/volunteer
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 – 9.30 AM	*Rambam: Mishna Torah	Rabbi Zarum	Large 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	Navi – Sefer Iyov	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

MONTHLY SHIURIM

Next Dates	Time	Topic	Given By	Venue	Open To
21st Jan 18th Feb	8.00 – 9.00 PM	The Stories You Weren't Taught In School (3 Part Series)	Rebbetzen Tali	Members' Homes	Women
7th Feb 7th Mar 4th Apr	10.00 – 11.00 AM	Highlights & Hot Drinks – Inspiration around the Jewish year	Rebbetzen Elisheva	Small Deal Hall	Women
6th Jan 3rd Feb 3rd Mar	8.00 – 9.00 PM	Women's Rosh Chodesh Shiur	Rebbetzen Elisheva / Rebbetzen Tali / Guest Speakers	Beit Midrash	Women
23rd Jan 20th Feb 20th Mar	12.30 – 1.15 PM	Shiur 'Eitz Chaim'	Rabbi & Rebbetzen Birnbaum	Members' Homes	Those in the year of mourning or marking a Yahrzeit

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 VAYIGASH - The Magnificence of a Moment

Split-Second of Clarity

One of the most dramatic scenes of Parshat Vayigash is the moment when Yosef, unable to hold himself back any longer, finally reveals his identity to his brothers. The verses vividly describe the brothers' reaction to Yosef's few words of revelation. Yosef makes a simple statement: 'I am Yosef — is my father still alive?' and the brothers are plunged into shock and cannot reply. Without waiting for them to gather their senses, Yosef repeats, 'I am Yosef your brother,' and goes on to assure them of his good intentions. What is going on here? Why did Yosef identify himself twice? And why did he have to inquire about his father if it was obvious from the whole context of the story thus far that his father was indeed alive?

One approach is that Yosef was using this moment to subtly rebuke his brothers. The Seforno explains that the inquiry about his father was a veiled reprimand for having caused their father so much grief. He was really asking them, 'How is it possible that my father is still alive? Has he not passed away from pain and heartbreak over my loss?' The Kli Yakar, in a similar interpretation, highlights Yosef's use of the singular possessive pronoun: 'Is my father still alive?' Yosef was hinting to his brothers that they had not been sufficiently sensitive to their father. Indeed, Rashi explains that the brothers' shocked silence was born of shame for their actions rather than surprise over finding out the identity of the Egyptian ruler.

Yosef is using what he knows to be a fleeting moment to drive home the message to his brothers that they had acted inappropriately.

Despite longing to reunite with his family, Yosef knows that he will never again be able to teach his brothers this lesson and he seizes the opportunity to do so now.

A Time for Gratitude

Yosef's emotional reunion with his father is described by the Torah in a mere two verses. In the first verse (Bereishit 46:29), we are told that Yosef, upon hearing of his father's impending arrival, harnessed his chariot and rode towards him. When they finally met, Yosef fell on his father's neck and wept copiously — 'vayipol al tzavarav vavevk od'. Curiously, Yaakov is conspicuously passive in this verse. It is only in verse 30 that Yaakov expresses his gratification over seeing his beloved son. The Midrash, sensitive to this anomaly, explains that Yaakov was reciting the Shema and could not therefore respond to his son's embrace.

The interpretation of the Maharal of Prague (d. 1609) of this Midrash is inspiring. When Yaakov saw Yosef, he immediately translated his love for his son into love for Hashem.

Yaakov's recital of Kriat Shema, which is essentially an expression of faith in Hashem and His omnipotence, was a demonstration of his gratitude to Hashem. This attitude, maintains the Maharal, is a trait that is found among pious people.



Contemporary Perspectives on the Weekly Parsha with Rabbi Dr Yoni Birnbaum

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

When good befalls them, they channel their emotions in appreciation of Hashem's kindness. In this manner, Yaakov utilises these few seconds of overpowering joy and dedicates them for a higher purpose.

Antidote to Jealousy

There is one more place in the parshah where we find a lesson being taught where we might not expect it. Yosef prepares his brothers for the journey back to their family, whom he hopes will eventually join him in Egypt. Aside for providing necessary transport and provisions for the way, he also gives them suits of clothing as gifts. Incredibly, he gives Binyamin not one suit, as he gave to the other ten brothers, but five suits and an additional monetary gift of three hundred silver shekels. The Gemara (Megillah 16a) is bothered by this. The difficulties with Yosef began with jealousy over Yaakov's favouritism of Yosef; how could Yosef now make the same mistake by providing Binyamin with more gifts than everyone else! The Gemara's answer hardly seems to resolve the issue. Rav Binyamin bar Yefet says that the five suits of clothing were an allusion to Binyamin's descendant, Mordechai, who would one day leave Achashveirosh's palace dressed in five types of royal garments.

Rabbi Mordchai Miller zt"l gives an ingenious explanation to this cryptic Gemara. According to Talmudic law (Gittin 44a), if one sells his servant to a non-Jewish slave master, he must pay him up to three hundred silver shekels to ransom his freedom.

Being that Yosef's ten older brothers had sold him into slavery, Yosef had the right to claim thirty shekels from each of them, which would equal three hundred silver shekels in total. Of course, Yosef did not claim this money, but he did give the equivalent amount to Binyamin.

Thus, Rabbi Miller suggests, this gift would not have aroused jealousy. It would have been well understood that it was only fair that Binyamin should gain this extra money because the other brothers had also gained the same amount by not paying it as compensation to Yosef!

When Mordechai left the palace in Shushan in all his splendour, no one was jealous of him. Clearly, Mordechai had been given these opportunities because he was prepared to use them in the right way. With his gifts to Binyamin, Yosef was conveying to his brothers that their resentment of him because of the attention showed towards him by Yaakov was mistaken. There can be no justification for jealousy when gifts legitimately received in life are being utilised in the right way. Jealousy is a result of a subjective feeling of injustice; when people are big enough to see the big picture, the negative feelings tend to dissipate.

Next Week:
Parashat Vayechi
Hallmarks of Hope: Yaakov's
Eternal Final Words

KINLOSS YOUTH

Is it your birthday
weekend?

Bar/Batmitzva anniversary?

Your football team won?

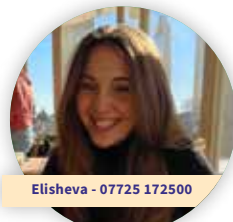
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**Youth Service starts
again on 11th Jan**

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JOIN US FOR THE LAUNCH OF

STARTING
18TH
JANUARY

MINYAN HATZA'IR

@KINLOSS

SHACHARIT 9.30AM

KIDDUSH 11.30AM

RABSTEIN ROOM

Minyan HaTzair is a new Minyan that will be launching at Kinloss on Shabbat 18th January.

The Minyan is for all graduates (or similar), filling a gap for both the Finchley and wider communities.

Minyan HaTzair will be the only service of its kind in the North West London area and will bring a wide-range of young adults into Kinloss.

COMING UP AT KINLOSS

WEEKLY CLUBS



MONDAY 1.45PM
Film Afternoon
8 JANUARY
The 1970's - Those
Were the Days
(PART 1)



MONDAY 8PM
Women's Pilates

TUESDAY 2PM
Bridge Club

**TUESDAY
10AM**
Friendship
Club

**THURSDAY
10.30AM**
Chair Based
Exercise

UPCOMING EVENTS

**CHATS FOR CHAPS
AND MONDAY MATTERS**
(women's discussion group)

with Guest Speaker
Lord Jonathan Kestenbaum
Monday 6th January 2025
at 11am in the Deal Hall

call: Rochelle 020 8349 5263
Email: kinlosscares@kinloss.org.uk

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about you

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**KYC FRIDAY
NIGHT ONEG**
10TH JANUARY 2025

**OUR HEROES FROM
THE FRONT LINE**
HEAR THE EXPERIENCES
OF 3 IDF SOLDIERS

**MONDAY, 27TH
JANUARY**

Booking Essential:
www.kinloss.org.uk/heroes

Choosing a
Jewish Primary School?

**Monday 10 February
8pm**

Booking Essential:
www.kinloss.org.uk/primary

SAVE THE DATE

**THE ANNUAL
FAMILY SHABBATON**

8TH FEB 2025

Bringing the families of Kinloss together

For families with children ages 0-18
More details coming soon
Keep your lunch plans free!

Pre book now at
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For more information about events at Kinloss please contact lucy.marcus@kinloss.org.uk

Yahrzeits

Shabbat 4th January

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

Sunday 5th January

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

Monday 6th January

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

Tuesday 7th January

Judith Berman	Father
Ivan Burland	Mother
Philip Elias	Sister
Geoffrey Herman	Father
Vivienne Muhlgay	Father
Alan Tinger	Father

Wednesday 8th January

Joachim Frank	Mother
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Thursday 9th January

Louis Abraham	Mother
Pauline Harris	Sister
Walter Muhlgay	Mother
Pnina Ravid	Husband
Michael Sperling	Son

Friday 10th January

Michelle Ambalo	Husband
James Levene	Father
Danny Nassimi	Mother
Russell Shaw	Mother

THE KEHILLA
WISHES
חיים ארוכים
'LONG LIFE' TO THE
FOLLOWING WHO HAVE
Yahrzeit
THIS WEEK

CONSECRATIONS

Wednesday 8th January 2025, 12pm at Bushey Old Cemetery in memory of Hetty Phillips z"l

Sunday 12th January 2025, 11am at Hoop Lane Sephardi Cemetery in memory of Jonathan Seres z"l

Sunday 2nd February 2025, 12pm at Bushey New in memory of Brian Graham z"l

Wednesday 12th February 2025, 11am at Bushey New in memory of Edith Breskin z"l

Sunday 23rd February 2025, 11.30am at Bushey Old in memory of Fay Aarons z"l

SERVICE TIMES

SERVICES	Sun 5th 5 Tevet	Mon 6th 6 Tevet	Tues 7th 7 Tevet	Wed 8th 8 Tevet	Thurs 9th 9 Tevet	Fast of Tevet Starts 6.15am Ends 5pm Fri 10th 3 Tevet
Shacharit	8:00am	7:00am	7:00am	7:00am	7:00am	6:50am
Shacharit 2	-	8:00am	8:00am	8:00am	8:00am	8:00am
Sephardi	8:00am	6:30am	6:45am	6:45am	6:30am	6:45am
Mincha / Ma'ariv	3.55pm	3.55pm	3.55pm	3.55pm	3.55pm	3.45pm

KEEP IN TOUCH

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