

KOL KINLOSS



Walking Tour
of Jewish
London on
Sunday with
Rabbi
Birnbaum



חקת

LaShir

Service starts: 7.00pm

Candle lighting: 7.37pm

Minyan Sheini

Service starts: 7.40pm

Candle lighting: 7.55pm

Shabbat Ends: 10.24pm

CHUKAT

4th - 5th July 2025

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KINLOSS

This week's newsletter is sponsored by Andrea Rappoport and family
in loving memory of her husband Ron Rappoport z'l on the occasion of his yahrzeit

SHABBAT AT KINLOSS

FRIDAY NIGHT

Earliest candle lighting - 7.37pm

7.00pm Minyan LaShir in the Large Deal Hall (candles should be lit at 7.37pm)

7.00pm Sephardi Mincha, Kabbalat Shabbat & Maariv

7.40pm Minyan Sheini in the Liora Graham Beit Midrash (candles should be lit by 7.55pm)

Please note: If you (and members of your household) are unable to attend shul altogether, you should light candles by 7.55pm.

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 Eliyahu Cohen and Yoni Laitner

11.45am **HORIM V'YELADIM** ten minutes of parent-child learning, followed by a raffle in the Large Deal Hall

8.30pm **PRE-MINCHA TZURBA (PRACTICAL HALACHA - HADLAKAT NEIROT) CHABURAH WITH RABBI JOSH**

9.00pm **MINCHA** in the Liora Graham Beit Midrash

9.30pm **SUMMER SEUDA SHLISHIT SERIES** with **RABBI MICHAEL LAITNER** entitled '**A MEMORIAL DAY FOR 7TH OCTOBER? DEBATES IN HALACHA ABOUT CREATING "NEW" DAYS**' in the Nissan & Rifca Deal Halls

10.24pm **MA'ARIV & TERMINATION OF SHABBAT**

Horim V'Yeladim
in the Large Deal
Hall at 11:45am
followed by a
raffle



SHABBAT MORNING KIDDUSHIM AT KINLOSS

HASHKAMA in the Silver Suite

MAIN KIDDUSH in the Kinloss Suite

THE MINYAN in the Small Deal Hall sponsored by Miriam & Marcel Schajer to celebrate the engagement of their granddaughter Gila to Noam.

YOUTH in the Liora Graham Beit Midrash



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

MAZEL TOV

Mazel Tov to Nikki & Michael Fluss on the birth of a granddaughter, Bayla Rut (Bella Raya), a daughter for Sarah & Jakey Epstein. Mazel Tov to great-grandparents Vivien & Lionel Shebson, Leo Epstein and Helen & Melvyn Rosehill. Remembering Ruth & David Fluss and Bella Epstein z'l at this special time

Mazel Tov to Sara, Simon, Ilan, Tali & Natan Renshaw on their forthcoming Aliyah

Mazel Tov to Daniella, Raphael, Talia & Yoav Cwajgenbaum on their forthcoming Aliyah

Mazel Tov to Irene & Geoffrey Herman on the Bat Mitzvah of their granddaughter Lielle, daughter of Tamara & Daniel Herman, sister to Rafi and Jamie. Mazel tov also to grandparents Sandra & Michael Samad

BIRTHDAYS



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

Ezekiel Winston Summers (7),
Olivia Bloch (7),
Oliver Redwood (11)

LEARNING AT KINLOSS

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	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 Mincha	Tzurba (Practical Halacha) Chabura	Rabbi Josh	Beit Midrash	All
Sunday	8.45 – 9.30am	Gemara Megilla	Rabbi Birnbaum	Small Deal Hall	All
Monday	1.30 – 2.10pm	Key Themes in Sefer Devarim	Rabbi Fine	Zoom	Women
	6.45 - 8.00pm	Gummy Bears & Gemara	Amichai Lerer	Beit Midrash	6 th Form Boys
Tuesday	8.45 – 9.15am	Sefer Pele Yoetz – Encyclopaedia of Judaism	Rabbi Fine	Beit Midrash	All
	8.15 - 9.15pm (fortnightly)	L'Chaim & Learn	Rabbi Josh	Members' Homes	All
Wednesday	8.45 – 9.15am	Gemara Berachot	Rabbi Birnbaum	Beit Midrash	All
	8.00 - 8.45pm	Timeless Torah Parashat Shiur	Rabbi Birnbaum	Beit Midrash	All
Thursday	8.50 - 9.15am	Perek Chelek in Sanhedrin	Rabbi Heller	Beit Midrash	All

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

LEARNING AT KINLOSS

MONTHLY SHIURIM

Next Dates	Time	Topic	Given By	Venue	Open To
19 th July	11:45am - 12:15pm	Kinloss Youth Kiddush Club Chaburot	Rabbi Josh/ Rebbetzen Tali/ Elisheva/ Amichai	Beit Midrash	Youth
18 th July	10:00 - 11:00am	Highlights & Hot Drinks	Rebbetzen Elisheva	Small Deal Hall	Women



Great Debates of Jewish History

SUMMER SEUDA SERIES

5 July	 9:30pm - Rabbi Michael Laitner A Memorial Day for 7th October? Debates in Halacha About Creating "New" Days
12 July	 9:25pm - Rabbi Dr Harvey Belovski Is Antisemitism Inevitable? Revisiting Yaakov and Esav
19 July	 9:15pm - Daniel Taub The Former Israeli Ambassador to the United Kingdom
26 July	 9:00pm - Rebbetzen Tali Harris 'Skeletons in the Closet': Are we Allowed to Critique our Forefathers?

Mincha Commences 30 Minutes Before the Start of the Seuda Each Week

TIMELESS ∞ TORAH

CHUKAT - Forty Years Wandering: The Immediate Aftermath

A New Generation

An important phrase, strikingly repeated throughout Parshat Chukat, provides a springboard for discussion about the transition of the Jewish people at this crucial stage of their wandering. Chapter 20, verse 1 describes how '*kol ha'eidah* — the entire congregation' arrived at Midbar Tzin. Rashi explains that this phrase — 'the entire congregation' — is a reference to the fact that all those who were destined to perish in the desert had already passed away, and all of this new generation would be able to enter Eretz Yisrael. More specifically, though, the Ohr HaChaim (d. 1743) points out that the term '*eidah*' could be used both positively and negatively, depending on the context. Indeed, in previous *parshiyot*, this word was often used to describe those who had sinned. Here, however, the verse mentions '*Bnei Yisrael — kol ha'eidah*' indicating that the entire congregation were now worthy of being called *Bnei Yisrael*, which is the appellation that connotes the lofty spiritual level of the nation.

This interpretation is significant because immediately following this verse, the Torah seems to highlight negative issues. We find in the coming verses the now familiar complaints about the scanty water supply and Moshe's harsh censure of the people: 'Listen now, you rebels!' With the Ohr HaChaim's observation, however, we develop a completely opposite perspective to this episode. When dealing with the previous generation, Moshe and Aharon had sometimes had to strongly reprimand the people. This generation, however, had already imbued the lessons of their forty years of wandering and were ready to enter the land.

In fact, according to the Ohr HaChaim, the criticism levelled by Hashem against Moshe in this parshah was for being too exacting with the people; there was a need for the leadership to recognise the qualitative difference between this generation and the previous generation.

Strength of Independence

While the Ohr HaChaim interprets the phrase 'the entire congregation' in a positive light, the Ramban (d.1270) offers a very different perspective. He proves from several places that this term is invariably used when the Torah is relating the complaints of the Jewish people. In this case too, it is being used to introduce the complaint of a lack of water following the death of Miriam and to emphasise that all the people joined in these complaints.

What is fascinating about the Ramban's explanation is that the same expression is found a few verses later (20:22) in reference to the passing of Aharon. In fact, in that passage, the phrase is used not once, but three times. The Ramban himself mentions this and explains that, indeed, just as everyone had taken part in the complaints, they also all participated in mourning the death of their beloved leader.

We could add, possibly, that the repetition of this phrase, together with the juxtaposition to the previous parshah, indicates the power of the figure of Aharon. As a 'lover and pursuer of peace', Aharon was a unifying individual, able to transform the negative connotation of *kol ha'eidah* to something positive.



Contemporary Perspectives on the Weekly Parsha with Rabbi Dr Yoni Birnbaum

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

When the people realised that their leaders were passing away and they would have to begin to take responsibility for their own future, their negative attitude faded away, and they were able to transcend their differences. It is striking that at this early stage of the journey of our nation, it took the tragic passing of a great leader to spur the people to a sense of positive unity over their future.

If this suggestion is correct, it would help us understand another repetition. On verse 1, Rashi comments that when 'the entire congregation' reached Midbar Tzin, they were complete because none of them were destined to die. On verse 20, when this phrase is repeated in the passage of Aharon's death, Rashi again makes the same comment. The difference between Rashi's two comments is, however, that on the second verse, Rashi adds that the people were not only complete but *ready to enter Eretz Yisrael*. After Aharon's passing, the people were shocked into the realisation that they would not have these leaders forever. Now, they finally internalised fully that inheriting Eretz Yisrael would require independent growth and unity of the people.

A Nation of Leaders

Although Parshat Chukat contains the death of Miriam and the cessation of the miraculous well that accompanied the Jews in her merit, it also contains the *Shirat HaBe'er*, the Song of the Well, which was sung in appreciation for this miracle. Of course, the question that begs to be asked is why this *shirah* was sung only now and not earlier, when it began sustaining the people with life-giving water at the start of their desert journey.

The Sefat Emet (d.1905) finds an answer to this by analysing the actual words of the song. The first line reads, '*Be'er chafaruha sarim* — The well that princes have dug' (21:18), which refers to the forefathers, in the merit of whose holiness the well was opened. In the second line, however, there is a reference to the ordinary members of the nation: '*karuha nedivei ha'am* — excavated by the benefactors of the people'. Although the initial merit for the well needed the leaders and the princes of the nation, it was the regular people who continued to 'dig' it with their good deeds and prayers. Just as a real pit might need powerful tools to open it at first but every subsequent shovel-full will make it even deeper, so were the good deeds of regular Jews sufficient to build and improve on what their great leaders had achieved before them.

It was this revelation that the people saw after Miriam died. The well disappeared but was then renewed even without Miriam's merit. It was now that they fully appreciated the leadership that they had been given; following the example that Miriam had shown them, they could keep the well going themselves. Rabbi Sacks used to say that 'good leaders create followers. Great leaders create leaders.' That is what the Jewish people saw here. The magnificence of this moment was that the people saw their own potential and understood that although their leaders were leaving them, they were able to maintain their glorious tradition and become leaders themselves.

Next Week: Balak - A Nation That Rises
Like a Lion: Understanding Bilaam's
Blessings

COMING UP AT KINLOSS

GROUPS AND CLUBS



SUNDAY 20 JULY 11.00AM

SHUL FOR THE MIND

[KINLOSS.ORG.UK/MIND](https://kinloss.org.uk/mind)



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/IVRITY](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 21ST JULY 11.00AM

CHAPS FOR CHAT
AND MONDAY MATTERS

[KINLOSSCARES@KINLOSS.ORG.UK](mailto:kinlosscares@kinloss.org.uk)

COMING UP AT KINLOSS

UPCOMING EVENTS

SHABBAT
12TH & 19TH
JULY

YEAR 6 STEP UP SHABBATOT

Special Shabbatot to prepare Year 6 for the transition into the Youth Service. More details to follow

SHABBAT
19TH JULY

KINLOSS CARES SHABBAT LUNCH

Enjoy lunch with the Birnbaums after the Shabbat service. To book, please call Rochelle before Tuesday, 15th July, on 020 8343 5263

SHABBAT
19TH JULY
4.30pm

SEUDAH IN THE SUN

Join us for dinner, friends and fun as we end the school year with a Shabbat afternoon seudah at Windsor Open Space. For ages 0 - Year 2 (older children welcome).

To book go to kinloss.org.uk/sun

SUNDAY
20TH JULY
5PM-
9.30PM

KINLOSS PRESENTS THE JEWISH ART FAIR

Exhibits for sale include Paintings, Sculptures, Jewellery, Embroidery, Silk, Ceramics, Fused Glass and Photography

FREE ENTRANCE

To book as an exhibitor go to www.kinloss.org.uk/fair

SHABBAT
26TH JULY

SHABBAT FORUM

With Phil Rosenberg,
President of the Board of Deputies

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AND ALL THINGS KINLOSS, JOIN THE
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you to the team!**



Yahrzeits

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

Shabbat 5th July

Farzaneh Amini	Brother
Joanne Bennett	Brother
Michael Fluss	Mother
Stephen Hart	Father
Geoffrey Herman	Daughter
Irene Herman	Daughter
Marian Orlans	Mother
Clive Rubin	Father
Susan Sperber-Kosky	First Husband

Sunday 6th July

Bernard Goodwin	Wife
Stephen Goodwin	Mother
Stanley Jacobs	Cousin
Susan Rozenthal	Mother

Monday 7th July

Suzanne Clinton-Davis	Mother
Sivi Harounoff	Half Brother
Jane Jaffa	Father
Jacob Kut	Father
Andrew Shiers	Father
Martin Shiers	Father
Linda Tanner	Husband

Tuesday 8th July

Amos Azizoff	Mother
Marilyn Azizollahoff	Father
Stafford Fertleman	Sister in Law
Ruth Frenkel	Mother
Henry Garfinkel	Mother
Simon Goulden	Mother
Alfred Young	Sister
Elaine Young	Mother

Wednesday 9th July

Lawrence Freeman	Mother
Robert Harris	Mother
Rosalind Judah	Mother
Rosemary Miller	Mother in Law
Norman Rose	Sister
Peter Sheldon	Brother

Thursday 10th July

Frank Caplan	Father
Norman Davis	Father
Esther Gorjian	Mother
Michael Laitner	Mother
Parvin Lavian	Mother
Alan Levene	Father
Sally Saunders	Mother
Erica Silas	Father
Sarah Weisz	Mother

Friday 11th July

David Basrawy	Father
Aubrey Moher	Brother

CONDOLENCES

Judith Susser and David Cowan on the passing of their mother Irene Cowan z'l

Sarah Lennard, Andrew Lee, Peta Lee and Maurice Lazarus on the passing of their mother and sister Marlene Lee z'l

CONSECRATIONS

Sunday 6th July 2025, 11.30am at The Federation cemetery in Edgwarebury Lane in memory of Verity Zeidman z'l

Sunday 13th July 2025, 9.30am at Bushey Old in memory of Sylvia Woof z'l

Sunday 13th July 2025, 1.30pm at Bushey Old in memory of Gerald Abrahams z'l

Sunday 27th July 2025, 10.00am at Bushey Old in memory of Rose Young z'l

SERVICE TIMES

SERVICES	Sun 6 th 10 Tammuz	Mon 7 th 11 Tammuz	Tue 8 th 12 Tammuz	Wed 9 th 13 Tammuz	Thurs 10 th 14 Tammuz	Fri 11 th 15 Tammuz
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	6.45am
Mincha / Ma'ariv	7.30pm	7.30pm	7.30pm	7.30pm	7.30pm	7.00pm & 7.35pm

KEEP IN TOUCH



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