



# CRANBROOK NEWS

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**Shabbat, May 18<sup>th</sup>, 2024 / Iyar 10<sup>th</sup>, 5784 / Omer Day 25  
Emor / Pirkei-Avot Chapter 3**

## Service Times

Mincha followed by Kabbalat Shabbat

**7pm**

Shacharit followed by Kiddush

9.30am

**No Mincha or Ma'ariv service**

Shabbat Ends

9.49pm

Next Friday: Mincha / Kabbalat Shabbat at **7pm - Light Candles 7.40pm (8.44pm)**

Claudia & Scott Kashket on their 1st Wedding Anniversary.

Sophie Diamond, Rita Dryer, Saul Green,  
Rosalind Johnstone, Betty Kwintner, Talia Placks and,  
Max Schlazer on their respective birthdays.

Joyce Meltzer on the birth of a great grandson in Israel.

Barbara Goldman and Rosaline and Theodore Metzger on the birth of a  
great grandson in Israel.

Shelley and Stuart Goldman on the birth of a grandson in Israel.

## 2024/25 Cranbrook Synagogue Calendar

Once again, we are producing the Cranbrook Synagogue Calendar in order to raise funds for the Synagogue. You can use it to celebrate birthdays, Bar and Bat Mitzvahs, Anniversaries, and the Yahrzeits of loved ones.

You can also use it to send New Year greetings to the Community as well. The form to add birthdays, wedding anniversaries and yahrzeit insertions in the 2024/25 Cranbrook Synagogue calendar were recently sent out in your Pesach mailing.



Return the completed form to the synagogue office. These need to be returned by **Friday, May 31<sup>st</sup> 2024.**

## Torah Reading

Leyning: Emor

Sefer: Vayikra: 21:1-24:23

*Rabbi Steven Dansky*

Artscroll p 672, Hertz p 513, Cohen/Soncino p 740

Haftorah: Ezekiel: 44:15-31

*Martin Bloomberg*

Artscroll p 1176, Hertz p 528, Cohen/Soncino p 761

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**Children's Service:** 10.30am

**Regular Weekday Services:** Sunday, Monday, and Tuesday at **Ilford Federation Synagogue;** Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday at **Cranbrook United Synagogue.**

**Shacharit:** Sunday & Public Holidays at **8.30am.**

**Shacharit:** Monday & Thursday at **7.20am.** Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday at **7.30am.**

**Rosh Chodesh Shacharit:** Sunday at **8.30am;** Monday to Friday at **7.10am.**

**Mincha / Ma'ariv:** Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday at 7.30pm.

### Dates for the Diary

May	
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup>	@ 12.30pm <i>Lunch &amp; Learn with Rabbi Dansky</i>
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	<i>Pesach Shenit</i>
	@ 11am <i>Rabbi Dansky Weekly Shiur</i>
Sunday 26 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Lag B'Omer</i>
Monday 27 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Bank Holiday</i>
Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup>	@ 11am <i>Rabbi Dansky Weekly Shiur</i>
June	
Shabbat 1 <sup>st</sup>	<i>Mevarachim HaChodesh</i>
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup>	@ 12.30pm <i>Lunch &amp; Learn with Rabbi Dansky</i>
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Yom Yerushalyim</i>
	@ 11am <i>Rabbi Dansky Weekly Shiur</i>
Friday 7 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Rosh Chodesh Sivan</i>
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup>	<i>1<sup>st</sup> Day Shavuot</i>
	<i>10 Commandments</i>
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup>	<i>2<sup>nd</sup> Day Shavuot</i>
	<i>Book of Ruth</i>
	<i>Yizkor</i>

### Clarification regarding the Shabbat times during the summer months

Ordinarily Shabbat begins 18 minutes before sunset. However, as we enter the long days of summer in our community, we will be bringing Shabbat in at the earlier time of **7.40 pm.**

This will allow our members to have their Friday night meal at a more convenient hour.

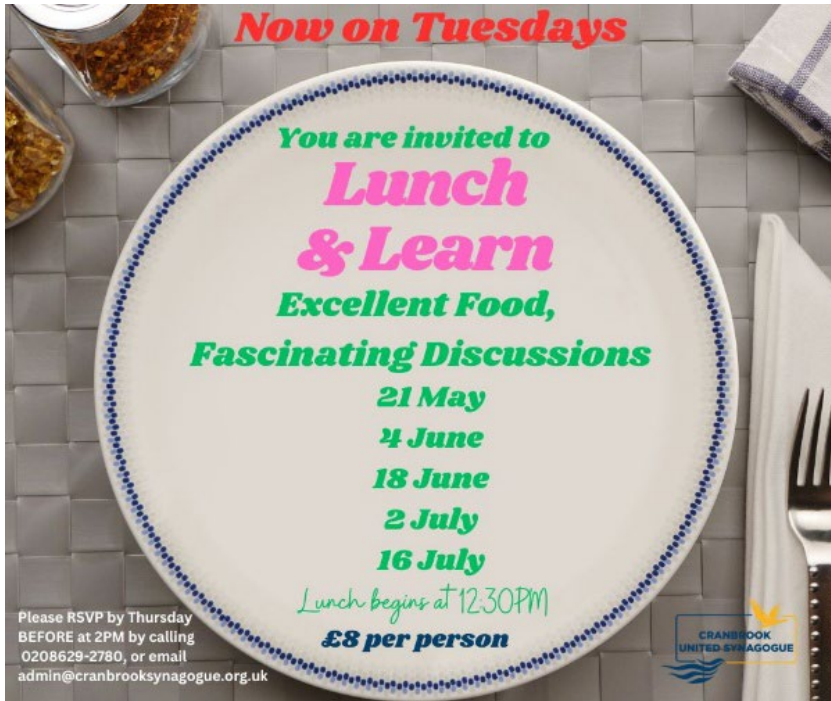
For the benefit of our members who are unable to light candles with the rest of the community at **7.40 pm,** we have put the latest time for candle lighting in brackets.

**Kabbalat Shabbat will take place at 7pm throughout the summer.**

**We wish the following members, who have Yahrzeit in the coming week, a long life: -**

Robin Abrahams, David Baars, Bernice Bass, Alan Becker, Sheila Brand, Derek Brent, Marilynne Chyte, Stuart Coslover, Freda Cowan, Zelma Cowan, Maureen Diamond, Helen Duncan, Linda Eleini, Austin Friddin, Elaine Gandz, Marilyn Gladstone, Shirley Gold, Gloria Goldberg, Barry Greene, Victoria Joffe, Alan Kaizer, Graham Kaufman, Betty Kwintner, David Lee, Sharon Lee, Roger Leigh, Elena Levene, Roy Levene, Lionel Levine, Elizabeth Levison, Denise Mallach, Joy Mallach, Harold Marco, Stephen Mendel, Diana Neslen, Lesley Pentol, Diane Rankoff, Janice Rebak, Geoffrey Riesel, Howard Robbins, Arnold Rose, Patricia Russell, Betty Saunders, Sheryl Saunders, Anne Schlesinger, Beverley Sennett, Irene Silverman, Maxine Stean, Michael Trainis, Ronald Weinberg, Raisa Yufit and Loretta Zack.

## Lunch & Learn



Please RSVP by Thursday  
BEFORE at 2PM by calling  
0208629-2780, or email  
admin@cranbrooksynagogue.org.uk



Please call or e-mail the Office to book for **Tuesday, 4<sup>th</sup> June** by **2pm** on **Thursday, 30<sup>th</sup> May**.

Call 020 8629 2780 or e-mail  
[admin@cranbrooksynagogue.org.uk](mailto:admin@cranbrooksynagogue.org.uk)

## D-Day 80th Anniversary Beacon Lighting

D-DAY 80TH ANNIVERSARY  
BEACON LIGHTING FOR  
THE JEWISH COMMUNITY



**6TH JUNE 2024**  
8.30PM NORTH LONDON LOCATION

SAVE THE DATE TO JOIN THE JEWISH COMMUNITY COMING TOGETHER TO MARK THIS SIGNIFICANT ANNIVERSARY.

PLEASE REGISTER TO ATTEND AT [WWW.AJEX.ORG.UK/D-DAY](http://WWW.AJEX.ORG.UK/D-DAY)

The bravery and sacrifice of all those people 80 years ago in securing the peace and freedom we enjoy today is immense, and Jewish men and women were a key part of this victory. Across the UK and beyond, villages, towns, cities and organisations of all sizes will be marking the 80th anniversary of D-Day by lighting a beacon on 6th June 2024, in celebration of the 'light of peace' that emerged out of the darkness of war.



<https://www.ajex.org.uk/d-day>

Condolences to: The families of Phyllis Cohen and Doris Sheril.

### Forthcoming stone-settings

19 <sup>th</sup> May 2024	Norman Gershon	Waltham Abbey	Noon
Father of Barry Gershon			
19 <sup>th</sup> May 2024	Fay Rita Knott	Waltham Abbey	12.30pm
Grandmother of Charlie Knott			
27 <sup>th</sup> May 2024	Renee Jackson	Waltham Abbey	3.30pm
Mother of Gary Jackson			
2 <sup>nd</sup> June 2024	Aubrey Siteman	Waltham Abbey	Noon
Father of Helen Duncan			
16 <sup>th</sup> June 2024	Marlene Mendel	Waltham Abbey	11.30am
Mother of Sasha Woolf			
7 <sup>th</sup> July 2024	Barbara Gordon	Waltham Abbey	Noon
Mother of Elaine Smart			

## *News and Views*

In this week's parasha, we are presented with the concept of counting 50 days between Pesach and the following festival Shavuot. The commandment is placed right in the middle of the commandments relating to the festivals, almost as if the days between the two festivals were a festival in and of itself!

Nachmanidies, the Ramban, writes that just like there is a period of quasi holiday between the first two days of Pesach and the last two days called CHOL HAMOED, so too the period between Pesach and Shavuot, these fifty days that we count are in and of themselves a holiday. This is why we call Shavuot ATZERET which literally means an END - an end to the festival run which has lasted 58 days including Pesach.

However, - what are we celebrating? Each of the other festivals have a serious reason to celebrate - Pesach is all about our freedom, Shavuot is about receiving the Torah, Sukkot is about God protecting the Jewish people while they were in the desert. The only aspect of anything religious these days is the fact that we count the days of the Omer.

The answer to this question lies in the sacrifices that were brought on Pesach, the festival before the OMER and the sacrifice that was brought after on the festival of Shavuot. We bring barley as a sacrifice on Pesach, and on Shavuot we bring the SHTEI HALECHEM - bread as a sacrifice. The difference between the two is that barley is a bare ingredient. All that is needed is to bring it to the Temple. The bread on the other hand is not a bare ingredient. It is made from wheat, which needs to have all sorts of processes done to it before it is ready. It requires sifting and grinding, kneading and cooking to turn wheat into bread.

The two sacrifices represent the Jewish people's statuses at Pesach and at Shavuot. At Pesach, the Jewish people were a nation without much merit, they were plucked out of the Egyptians, and so similar to most Egyptians that it was difficult to tell the difference between them. They were the base product, and therefore the sacrifice that is brought on Pesach is barley - a bare, base ingredient. However, on Shavuot, the Jewish people received the Torah. Through receiving the Torah, they are given the tools with which to fulfil their ultimate task - a kingdom of priests and a holy nation, and a light to the other nations, and therefore they bring bread - the finished product.



The Jewish people changed and developed themselves. They knew that they were about to be given the Torah, and they also knew that this wasn't just going to happen. They knew that every single day was so very important, that it was an opportunity to grow and change. They knew that it was up to them. They had to make the change. It wasn't something that just happened to them. They prepared themselves. They got ready. They transformed. They became a people who were worthy of the Torah resting in their hands. It is this transformation

that we are celebrating during the period of the Omer.

I wish you all a warm and peaceful Shabbos

Rabbi Steven, Siobhan, Maya and Talia Dansky.

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