



CRANBROOK NEWS

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Shabbat, 17th February 2024 / 8th Adar Rishon 5784
Terumah

Service Times

Mincha followed by Kabbalat Shabbat	5.02pm
Shacharit followed by Kiddush	9.30am
Mincha follows Kiddush	after 12.40pm
No Ma'ariv service	
Shabbat Ends	6.06pm
Next Friday: Mincha followed followed by Kabbalat Shabbat at	5.15pm



Betty & Norman Kwintner on their Diamond (60th) Wedding Anniversary.

Maureen & Ivor Greer on their Sapphire (55th) Wedding Anniversary.

Francine & John Myers on their Sapphire (55th) Wedding Anniversary.

Alan Donn, Gertrude Fagelson, Vivienne Gold, Irene Kaye, Carla Levene, Stanley Oberman, Betty Pam, Sheila Penfield, Basil Silver and Michael Vincent on their respective birthdays.



Torah Reading

Leyning: Terumah	<i>Rabbi Steven Dansky</i>
Sefer Shemot: 25:1-27:19	
Artscroll p 444, Hertz p 326, Soncino/Cohen p 500	
Haftarah: I Kings 5:26 - 6:13	<i>John Kent</i>
Artscroll p 1157, Hertz p 336, Soncino/Cohen p 515	

This week's Cranbrook News is kindly sponsored by Frances Litkin in memory of her late husband, Leonard Litkin, and Warren Litkin and Hazel Selby in memory of their dear father, Leonard Litkin, Leibish Ben Tzvi z"l.

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: Monday to Thursday at 1.30pm at **Chabad Gants Hill**
Mincha: Sunday at 5.00pm; Ma'ariv: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday at **7.30pm.**

Dates for the Diary

February		
Monday 19 th	@12.30pm	<i>Lunch & Learn with Rabbi Danksy</i>
Tuesday 20 th	@ 8pm	<i>Music Extravaganza Night</i>
Wednesday 21 st	@10am	<i>Rabbi Danksy Weekly Shiur</i>
Friday 23 rd		<i>Purim Katan</i>
Shabbat 24 th		<i>Shushan Purim Katan</i>
Wednesday 28 th	@10am	<i>Rabbi Danksy Weekly Shiur</i>
March		
Monday 4 th	@12.30pm	<i>Lunch & Learn with Rabbi Danksy</i>
Wednesday 6 th	@10am	<i>Rabbi Danksy Weekly Shiur</i>
	@ 7.30pm	<i>Women's Health Event</i>
Shabbat 9 th		<i>Shabbat for Israel</i> <i>Mevarachim Hachodesh</i> <i>Parashat Shekalim</i>
Sunday 10 th		<i>Rosh Chodesh Adar II</i>
Monday 11 th		<i>Rosh Chodesh Adar II</i>
Wednesday 13 th	@10am	<i>Rabbi Danksy Weekly Shiur</i>

Lunch & Learn



Please call or e-mail the Office to book for **Monday, 4th March** by **2pm on Thursday, 29th February.**

Call 020 8629 2780 or e-mail admin@cranbrooksynagogue.org.uk

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

Judith Bara, Henry Bernstein, Martin Bloomberg, Adrienne Braham, Renee Bravo, Eleanor Burack, Nicole Callaghan, David Carron, Nicola Cohen, Phillip Cohen, Joseph Coram, Howard Crammer, Susan Crammer, David Decker, David Fineberg, David Franklyn, Susan Goldman, Deana Green, David Greenberg, Elizabeth Greyman, Helena Helman, Michael Jason, Victor Kantor, Ian Keller, Raymond Kennard, Julia Lawson, Brian Lee, Sharon Lee, Sadie Levy, Karen Lichkin, Leslie Linder, Frances Litkin, Warren Litkin, Denise Mallach, Joy Mallach, Harold Marco, Mendel Markinson, Pauline Meardon, Anita Miller, Stephanie Mullish, Sandra Nerden, Jeanette Pinkus, Philip Rome, Evelyn Rose, Irene Rosenberg, David Rosenberg, Barry Roth, Ilana Scott, Hazel Selby, Jacqueline Seldis, Sandra Senjack, Kevin Shine, Lisa Shine, Alan Shone, Helen Silver, Muriel Silver, Alan Silverman, Irene Silverman, Elaine Smith, Emma Tomas, Betty Turner, Millicent Vincent and Anne Wickers.

MUSIC APPRECIATION EXTRAVAGANZA



TUESDAY 20TH FEBRUARY

NO 2'S OF THE 70'S

USA PART 2

8.00PM - 9.30PM

Hosted by: **STEPHEN COLMAN & TONY KAYE**

Different Theme each time
Email Stephen with your suggestions
src2008A@gmail.com

Queries to Robin Abrahams - 07956617669
Zoom: <https://tinyurl.com/musicextravaganza>
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ISRAELI KIDDUSH

Shabbat
9th March 2024
Service starts at 9.30am

With special guest speaker
Israel advocate & member of
Christian Action Against
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8-9TH MARCH 2024

The shul website is now password protected please e-mail webmaster@cranbrooksynagogue.org.uk or WhatsApp 07956 617669 to get the password.

Condolences to: The families of .

Forthcoming stone-settings

29th February 2024	Betty Bernard	Waltham Abbey	Noon
Mother of Jacquie Feldman			
17th March 2024	Ivor Miller	Waltham Abbey	11.00am
Husband of Anita Miller			
17th March 2024	Martin Mercer	Waltham Abbey	11.30am
Father of Michael Mercer			
17th March 2024	Gabriel Shine	Waltham Abbey	Noon
Husband of Shirley Shine			

News and Views

One of the fascinating elements of the Mishkan, the tabernacle, is the Keruvim. The Keruvim were two graven images of two angels, who had wings which faced each other. They were made of gold. These two images faced each other and were on two sides of the Aron, the cupboard in which the 10 commandments were placed.

The concept of the Keruvim is a strange one indeed. If the Aron was in the holy of holies, then I can understand that the voice of God came from the Aron. But why the Keruvim? Why should G-d's voice emanate specifically from there?

The Talmud explains that the faces of the Keruvim were actually the faces of young children. The Chatam Sofer explains in the name of Rabbi Adler his teacher, these young children are supposed to be Talmidei Chachamim, those sages who study the Torah. This is very strange indeed. When we generally think about sages who study Torah, we think about older men, pious and learned. Why should it be that sages who are learned in Torah are portrayed as young children?

Children see things in the most beautiful ways. They are so excited - everything is novel and new, and everything is intriguing. They have an open mind - they don't have preconceived notions about how things should be, because they never have experienced them before. A wise individual is defined not by how much he knows, but by the curiosity to know more. In fact, we say in Ethics of our Fathers: "Who is wise? Someone who learns from Everyone". Someone who is curious and is able to see things from another person's perspective is truly wise.



This is what a Talmid Chacham should be - he or she is an individual who is able to see the Torah with new eyes - such a person is wise - because not only is he a Chacham - a wise person, but he recognises that he is a Talmid - a "student" who will remain a student all his life - always curious, always excited about learning new things. Such a person will never say: "I have already read this story - there is nothing in the Torah that excites me. I have

been through it, I have read the book, I have got the T-shirt." There is always something new, there is always innovation, because every new look in the Torah is a new exploration of something, seeing it with different eyes.

It is interesting to note that Keruvim comes from the word Karov - to be near, and we don't get nearer to God than when we are openly curious and excited about the book that He left for us, the holy Torah; when we have this excitement, this child-like interest and fascination that G-d speaks to us, just like G-d spoke between those two childlike cherubim in the holy of holies.

I wish you all a good Shabbos.

Rabbi Steven, Siobhan, Maya and Talia Dansky.