



CRANBROOK NEWS

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Shabbat, July 27th, 2024 / 21st Tammuz, 5784 Pirkei-Avot Chapter 1

Service Times

Mincha followed by Kabbalat Shabbat

7pm

Shacharit followed by Kiddush

9.30am

No Mincha or Ma'ariv service

Shabbat Ends

9.55pm

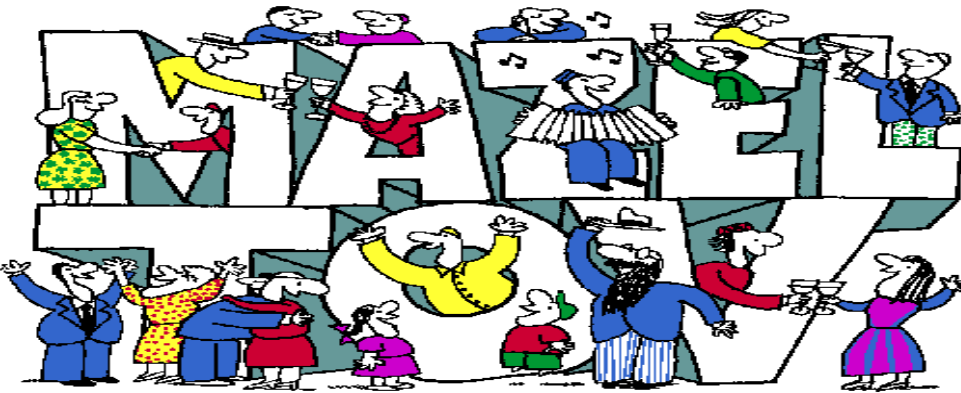
Next Friday: Mincha / Kabbalat Shabbat at **7pm - Light Candles 7.40pm (8.33pm)**

Mazel tov to Rose and Barry Blitz on their grandson's, Aaron Blitz's Barmitzvah this weekend.

Mazel tov to Monty Goldstein on his 100th birthday this week

Mazel tov to Irene and Alan Silverman on their Diamond (60th) Wedding Anniversary.

Mazel tov to Nissim Cohen, Helen Harris, Leslie Kingsley, Pamela Reisman and Kenneth Wayne on their respective birthdays



Torah Reading

Leyning: Pinchas

Sefer Numbers: 25:10-30:1

Rabbi Steven Dansky

Artscroll p 876, Cohen/Soncino p 932, Hertz p 686

Haftorah: Jeremiah 1:1-2:3

Jonathan Kent

Artscroll p 1192, Cohen/Soncino p 968, Hertz p 710

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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
Diary**

July

Wednesday 31st July @ 11am *Rabbi Dansky Weekly Shiur*

August

Shabbat 3rd *Mevarachim HaChodesh*

Monday 5th *Rosh Chodesh Av*

Wednesday 7th @ 11am *Rabbi Dansky Weekly Shiur*

Shabbat 10th *Shabbat Chazon*

Monday 12th *Erev Tisha B'Av*

Fast Begins @ 20.29

Tuesday 13th *Tisha B'Av*

Fast Ends @ 21.14

Wednesday 14th August *Rabbi Dansky Weekly Shiur*

Shabbat 17th *Shabbat Nachamu*

Shabbat 24th *Shabbat Ekev*

Shabbat 31st August *Shabbat Mevarachin HaChodesh*

Shabbat 7th September *Shabbat Shoftim*

Sunday 8th September *Afternoon Tea Extravaganza with Laurence Marks & Maurice Gran*

YIZKOR BOOK 5785

We will be producing a Yizkor Book as in previous years – the letters were sent out to all members in April. If you have not yet returned the form and would like the names of your loved ones included in this year's book, please note that the deadline to complete and return them to the office is **Thursday, 8th August.**

If you have lost or mislaid the letter, please contact the Office 020 8629 2780.



YIZKOR



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OUR RISE TO FAME

A talk presented by
Laurence Marks & Maurice Gran

In memory of Norman Bick

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SCAN TO ADD TO CALENDAR



COMMEMORATIVE WEEKEND

5-7 October

Including a major public gathering on Sunday, October 6th

More partners to be announced



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

Geoffrey Basco, Laurence Basco, Marian Becker, Barry Berg, Henry Berman, Barbara Besbrode, David Bresh, Barbara Brodie, Frances Bronzite, Barbara Cohen, Annette Colman, Helena Davis, Deborah Epstein, Harry Fenton, Stephen Freeder, Murray Gaynor, Nina Goldberg, Renee Graham, Sara Harris, Gerald Harris, Shirley Herst, Myra Hilton, Sandra Keller, Deanna Klein, Hugh Koslover, Gloria Kovler, Philippa Land, Anthony Lane, Anthony Levine, Sadie Levy, Laura Lewis, Gerald Luton, Eleanor Lyndon, Gilda Melnick, Barbara Mervish, Bradley Mervish, Jan Meyer, Shirley Millar, Sandra Miller, Angela Morris, Rhona Morris, Emanuel Robinson, David Rosenberg, Stephen Selby, Philip Shamplina, Keith Shenker, Elaine Smart, Victor Wallen, Martin Vickers.

Condolences to: The families of Robin Abrahams, Lilian Black & Jacqueline Leader.

Forthcoming stone-settings

28 th July 2024	Leslie Palmer	Waltham Abbey	10.00am
Husband of Shirley Palmer, Father of Jason Palmer			
28 th July 2024	Michael & Linda Cohen	Waltham Abbey	12.30am
Parents of Fiona Brooks			
28 th July 2024	Simone Kramer	Waltham Abbey	11.00am
Mother of Susan Delin, Sister of Rita Haberman			

News and Views

We are told in the last week's Torah reading that the Midyanite women seduced The Israelite men, causing a public outcry and a plague to spread within the Jewish people. Pinchas sees Zimri, Prince of Simeon consorting with a Midianite princess. Immediately he takes a spear and kills them both and immediately the plague stops.

After this very aggressive act, Pinchas is given a covenant of peace of all things, and is told that he and his children would be priests forever. We are told that the role of the priest is to "love peace, chase, peace, love people, and bring them close to the Torah". How is it possible that Pinchas can receive the promise of peace after acting in such a violent and aggressive manner?

There is a Torah law that tells us that if someone wants to kill you, you have the right to kill them first. Your life comes before anyone else. Thus, if you are in a desert with one other person and you have only enough water for yourself, the law is clear - you need to drink the water, rather than share it. Your life comes first.

When Pinchas saw what the prince of Shimon was doing, his act was one of saving not only his life, but the life of the entire congregation. He saw that there was a direct correlation between the actions of the prince of Shimon, and the plague which began at exactly the same time. He realised that the only way to stop the plague was to kill Zimri and his consort. This action was not one which only ended lives, but it also saved many thousands of others in the process.

A bystander who would be watching Pinchas striking Zimri could likely think that Pinchas was nothing else but a violent and aggressive man, someone who was looking for any excuse to exercise his passions. He would be the last person to be a priest - someone who has a peaceful nature. G-d therefore gives Pinchas the covenant of peace to cement the idea that all Pinchas was thinking of was his duty to G-d and his fellow man. Pinchas was a man who loved peace and chased after it, and he had to break his natural inclinations in order to kill others - but that was for the sake of heaven. From his perspective it would have been far easier to sit on the side. G-d therefore rewards him by giving him lifelong membership as a Kohen for him and his children afterwards, showing the purity of a man who submerges his own desires for the needs of G-d and his fellow man.

Shabbat Shalom from

Rabbi Steven, Siobhan, Maya and Talia Dansky.

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