

Shabbat, 4<sup>th</sup> January 2025 /4<sup>th</sup> Tevet 5785  
Shabbat Vayigash

## Shabbat Service Times

Shacharit

9.30am

No Mincha Service

Shabbat Ends

4.59pm

Ma'ariv at Ilford Federation

5.25pm

Next Friday: Candle Lighting

3.58pm

Kabbalat Shabbat



**Next Friday - Fast of Tevet begins at 6.15am.**

**Fast ends at 5.00pm**



Mazeltov to Pauline Jelen on her Granddaughter's wedding in Israel next Monday.

To Joseph Coram, Lorraine Duskwick, Kathleen Franks, Shirley Gold, Pamela Harris, Deanna Karp, Lily Landau, Jean Lowi, Simon Meyer, Pearl Palmer, Estelle Rosenbloom, Hayley Shaw and David Zwirek on their respective Birthdays.

## Torah Reading

Leyning: Vayigash

Rabbi Danksy

Sefer Genesis 44:18-47:27

Artscroll p250, Cohen/Soncino P277 Hertz p169

Haftorah: Ezekiel 37:15-28

Bernard Berman

Artscroll p1144, Cohen/Soncino P293 Hertz p178



## WEEKLY SERVICE TIMES W/B 5<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY

Shacharit – at Ilford Federation Synagogue

Sunday at 8.30am; Monday at 7.20am, and Tuesday at 7.30am  
Wednesday at 7.30am, Thursday at 7.20 and Friday 7.30am



Mincha at Chabad Gants Hill  
at 1.30pm Monday to Thursday

Mincha/Ma'ariv at Ilford Federation Synagogue

Ma'ariv Saturday 5.25pm

Sunday Mincha/Ma'ariv at 3.50pm

Ma'ariv at Cranbrook United Synagogue Monday to Thursday at 7.30pm



# LUNCH

£8 per  
person

## And Learn

Dates:

14 January 2025

28 January 2025

11 February 2025

25 February 2025

12:30pm

*Delicious Food, Fascinating Conversation!*

Please RSVP by Friday at 12PM by calling  
0208629-2780, or email [admin@cranbrooksynagogue.org.uk](mailto:admin@cranbrooksynagogue.org.uk)

**Book Lunch and Learn now for Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> January – deadline 2pm on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> January**



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# LILY'S

## *Bat Mitzvah*

### CHALLAH BAKE!

Thursday 16th January 2025

7-9pm

(RSVP by 13th January)

*Raising money for  
Yad Vashem*

**£7.50 per adult £5 per child  
£20 a family**

**With special guest  
Elisheva Goldschmidt**

To book please call the Office office on  
0208 629 2780 or

[admin@cranbrooksynagogue.org.uk](mailto:admin@cranbrooksynagogue.org.uk)

On line at

[www.theus.org.uk/CranbrookChallahBake](http://www.theus.org.uk/CranbrookChallahBake)

**Recipes in Memory of October 7th to  
take home**

Lily's Batmitzvah Twinning Project with Yad Vashem will be a chance for Ladies to come together to create the Mitzvah of making Challah.

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

Elizabeth Benjamin, Carol Berliner, Bernard Berman, Mavis Bonham, Janine Bossick, Estelle Brill, Norma Burns, Rafi Caplin, Wendy Coleman, Jeffrey Faber, Karen Friddin, Susan Gadian, Gillian Geisler, Beryl Ginsberg, Laurence Goldsmith, Brian Gordon, Gail Gordon, Joseph Gordon, Jeanette Grant, Joanne Green, Barry Greene, Sidney Harris, Aubrey Hoffman, Vivien Hoffman, Martin Jacobs, Allison Krist, David Lee, Leslie Leigh, Maxine Levene, Leonard Lewis, Gerald Luton, Mervyn Lyndon, Jacqueline Maslin, Stephen Mendel, David Mullish, Warren Mullish, Leonard Nessick, Susan Palmer, Bernice Phillips, Jeanette Pinkus, Colin Rappoport, Rita Rogers, Enid Rozelaar, Betty Schneider, Stuart Sherman, Leonard Silver, Julia Tassie, Stephanie Twigg, Frances Wallace, Barbara Wallen.

19 <sup>th</sup> January 2025	Gerald Weiland	Waltham Abbey	11.30am
Husband of Rita Weiland			
26 <sup>th</sup> January 2025	Harry Cohen	Waltham Abbey	11.00am
Father of Debra Gershon			
26 <sup>th</sup> January 2025	Alan Bronzite	Waltham Abbey	11.30am
Brother of Louis Bronzite			
2 <sup>nd</sup> February 2025	Helen Flax	Waltham Abbey	12noon
Mother of Andrew Flax			



**Please note that Rabbi Dansky's weekly Shiurim will now take place via Zoom on Wednesdays at 10.00am.**

**Next Shiur – 8<sup>th</sup> January**

*Join Zoom Meeting*  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81216388053>

**Meeting ID: 812 1638 8053**

**Passcode: 403506**



## ***Sedra Synopsis: Vayigash***

22 years after Yosef, they faced the prospect of their father Yaakov 'losing' another one of his sons, Binyamin. Yehuda approached Yosef, recounting Yosef's demand to see Binyamin and Yaakov's reluctance to let Binyamin leave. Having already 'lost' Rachel's other son (Yosef), Yaakov did not want disaster to befall Binyamin.

Yehuda stated that if they return without Binyamin, Yaakov will surely die. Yehuda offered to take Binyamin's place. Yosef then ordered everyone apart from his brothers out of the room. He revealed his identity and asked if his father is still alive. He told his ashamed brothers not to be sad; God had sent him on this mission in order to sustain them during the famine.

Yosef told the brothers to go back to Cana'an to relate to Yaakov that he was alive and the viceroy of Egypt. Yaakov should come immediately to Egypt; Yosef would ensure their safety and sustenance in the remaining five years of famine. Yosef and Binyamin cried on one another's necks.

Pharaoh instructed Yosef to give his brothers wagons. Yosef sent them back with money and provisions and 20 laden donkeys for Yaakov. The brothers returned home and told Yaakov that Yosef was alive and ruling over the land of Egypt. Initially, Yaakov does not believe them.

Yaakov travelled to Egypt, stopping at Beersheva to bring an offering. God appeared to Yaakov in a night vision, allaying his fears of leaving Cana'an to go to Egypt, and promising to make his progeny into a great nation. The Torah listed the 70 members of Yaakov's household who came to Egypt.

Yosef and Yaakov met in the region of Goshen. Yosef fell on Yaakov's neck and cried. Along with five of his brothers, Yosef went to inform Pharaoh of his family's arrival and told him they were sheep and cattle farmers. Pharaoh granted them the right to live in Goshen. Yosef brought Yaakov to meet Pharaoh.

Despite the famine in Egypt, Yosef made sure that his family had food. The starving Egyptians gave Yosef their animals in return for bread. The following year, they sold their land to Pharaoh in return for food and seed. They became serfs to Pharaoh, and were to give him one fifth of all produce from that land. Yosef fixed this as a national statute. Yaakov's family increased greatly.

*Shabbat Shalom, Rabbi Steven, Siobhan, Maya and Talia Dansky*

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