

CONGREGATION SHEARITH ISRAEL The Spanish & Portuguese Synagogue

July 3-4, 2015 Shabbat Balak

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CANDLE LIGHTING | 8:13 pm MINHAH | 6:45 pm

ZEMIROT | 8:30 am | Levy Auditorium
SHAHARIT (NISHMAT) | 9:15 am | Rabbi Soloveichik will deliver a Debar
Torah
TOT SHABBAT | Ages 0-4 | 10:00 am | Coat Room
KIDDUSH | Elias Room

SPECIAL JULY 4TH AFTERNOON CLASS
Rabbi Soloveichik on the topic: "The 17th of

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MINHAH/ARBIT | 8:05 pm HABDALAH | 9:13 pm

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

We mourn the loss of our member Shirley Arbesfeld. Condolences to her brother Hyman Arbesfeld.

Welcome Edward Berman and Anna Titarchuk-Berman to the Shearith Israel family.

Congratulations to our newly re-elected trustees: Peter Neustadter, David J. Nathan, Victoria Bengualid, Esme Berg, and Karen Daar

This Sunday, July 5 marks the fast of Tammuz which commemorates the breach of the city walls of Jerusalem, as well as the destruction of the first tablets of the ten commandments following the sin of the golden calf. Fast begins at 3:43 am, morning services begin at 8:00 am, Minhah begins at 7:45 pm and the fast ends at 8:58 pm.

UPCOMING EVENTS AND INITIATIVES

Lecture Series for the Three Weeks Rabbi Richard Hidary | Mondays | 7:15 pm

July 6 - What Did the Romans Think of the Jews?: Ancient Anti-Semitism July 13 - What Did the Romans Think of the Jews?: Ancient Philo-Semitism

July 20 - What Did the Jews Think of the Romans?: Attraction and Revolution

This series reviews the relationship between the Romans and the Jews during the end of the Second Temple Period. Many Roman writers lavished praise upon the Jews as a nation of philosophers while others perverted biblical stories about the Israelites in order to denigrated the Jews. On the other side, Jews-including rabbis, priests, and other sectarians-express appreciation for Roman culture as well as hated for Roman domination. Was the clash of civilization that led to the Great Revolt of 70CE inevitable or could it have been avoided?

High Holiday Recipes

Calling all Shearith Israel Cooks: Do you have a special High Holidays recipe? Maybe it's a delicious Rosh Hashana honey cake, a lox dish that is just perfect for the Kippur break-fast or even an etrog jelly that always keeps people asking for seconds? Whatever it is, send it to slandau@shearithisrael.org (ingredients and instructions) along with a 2-3 sentence "back story" by July 10 and your recipe could be featured in the Culinary Corner of our upcoming fall bulletin!

Register now for PTTS Hebrew School

Polonies Talmud Torah School, provides children and teens, ages 3-16, with a substantive Jewish education in a positive and engaging environment. Register at shearithisrael.org/hebrewschool

Contribute to the PTTS Hebrew School Scholarship Fund

We offer many scholarships to ensure that all qualified applicants can receive a Jewish education. Please consider sponsoring a student for an academic year or semester or contributing to our Hebrew school scholarship fund with a tax deductible contribution of any amount. Go to

shearithisrael.org/hebrew-school-scholarship-fund

Membership Dues are Due!

Members, by now you should have received your 2015-2016 membership dues letters in the mail. Pay by July 31st to take advantage of our special offer. See details in the letter.

Our Next Public Tour is: Tuesday, July 14 at 11:00 am

Parnas Office Hours

Louis Solomon would be delighted to meet with you. Please schedule a visit at parnas@shearithisrael.org.