



CONGREGATION SHEARITH ISRAEL
The Spanish & Portuguese Synagogue

July 10-11, 2015
Shabbat Pinehas-Dibre

Hertz Pentateuch: p. 686; Haftarah p. 710
Kaplan Living Torah: p. 798; Haftarah p. 1212

CANDLE LIGHTING | 8:11 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

SHABBAT AFTERNOON CLASS | 7:05 pm | Levy Auditorium | Rabbi
Soloveichik on the topic "Shadowlands: What CS Lewis Taught Me
About Tisha B'Ab"

MINHAH/ARBIT | 8:05 pm

HABDALAH | 9:11 pm

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mazal Tob to Jamie and Elana Nussbaum on the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Max. Congratulations to the proud grandparents, Rabbi Marc and Gilda Angel.

Condolences to Ruth G. Nathan on the passing of her brother, George Gottesman.

The three weeks between the Fast of the 17th of Tammuz and the Fast of the 9th of Ab are a traditional period of contrition and mourning, and prophetic passages of reproof and ominous foreboding are designated as the haftarah readings on the three intervening Sabbaths. Sephardic custom is to refer to these Sabbaths by the opening words of the particular haftarah read on that day. The three are: Shabbat Dibre, Shabbat Shim'u, and Shabbat Hazon. All three are chanted in a dirge of lament, although each ends on a note of comfort. Shabbat Dibre is the first, and its name refers to the opening passage of the Book of Jeremiah, the most famous of the "prophets of doom."

UPCOMING EVENTS AND INITIATIVES

Lecture Series for the Three Weeks

Rabbi Richard Hidary | Mondays | 7:15 pm

Part 2: July 13 - What Did the Romans Think of the Jews?: Ancient Philo-Semitism

Part 3: 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 denigrate 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?

Tisha B'ab at Shearith Israel

Saturday, July 25- Sunday, July 26

Saturday night, immediately after Shabbat at 9:15 pm we recite Eikha. Afterwards, Rabbi Soloveichik will deliver a Tisha B'ab lecture on the topic "The High Priest, The Ark, and the Temple Mount: An Archaeological Tale for Tisha B'Ab" sponsored by Cindy Trop in memory of her mother. The next day, join us for kinot and services. Throughout the day there will be movie screenings of "Aftermath" and "Crossing the Line 2: The New Face of Anti-Semitism on Campus" and a class by Rabbi Hidary on the topic "Why Do Good People Suffer?: The Talmudic Perspective." Go to shearithisrael.org/tisha-bab-services-5775 for the schedule.

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.