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Parshas Korach

פרשת קרח

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Shabbos Schedule



Earliest Candle Lighting:	6:59pm
Light Candles:	8:15pm
Mincha and Kabbalas Shabbos:	7:00pm
Parsha Chaburah given by Naftali Perlberger:	7:55am
Rabbi's Mishlei Shiur:	8:15am
Shacharis:	8:45am
Sof Zman Krias Shema:	9:18am
Shabbos Groups, upstairs, for ages 2 and up.	9:45am
Join us for Kiddush as we celebrate YIML's 2012 Graduates! Mazel tov to one and all! Kiddush is co-sponsored by Yitzchak and Karen Kraftmann to celebrate the birth of Aleeza Ettl. Fleishig bonnes bouches and other treats provided by the Kraftmanns.	
Mincha:	8:00pm
Shalosh Seudos is community sponsored.	
Medical Halacha Shiur given by Dr. Daniel Eisenberg.	
Maariv:	9:18pm

Weekday Shiurim

Mussar Chabura: 15 mins before Shacharis.
Mishna Brura: Mon and Wed after Maariv
Nefesh HaChaim: Thursday at 10:10pm
Mussar Shiur for Women: Mon at 9:30am at 8 Concord Circle.

The last **Bnos** of the season will meet from 4:30 to 6pm and include shalosh seudos. Thanks to all who helped make this a great year!

Torah Youth will meet from 4:30 to 5:30pm on the upper level of LMS.
Torah Youth End of Year BBQ. Wed, June 27th, 6:30 to 7:30pm. At the home of the Silvers, 151 Highland Circle. \$10 per person.

Chevra Mishnayos

The Chevra Mishnayos will start learning Seder Kodshim. Sign up on shul bulletin board or email eisenber@pol.net with your name and the masechta and chapters you intend to learn.

YIML BBQ – Thank You!

The BBQ was a smashing success! Special recognition goes to Israel Pendrak and Moshe Sternberg for all their preparatory work and slaving behind the hot, smoky grill. Thanks to Stan Sved for donating much of the supplies. Thanks to the rest of the team; Inna Pendrak, Richie Fine, Yaakov Levy, Lion Sassoon, Sherman Frager, Guy Shitrit, Baruch Chase, and Rabbi Chaim Diamond. Looking forward to next year's, be"H!

Sun, Jun 24	Mon, Jun 25	Tue, Jun 26	Wed, Jun 27	Thu, Jun 28	Fri, Jun 29
Shacharis 8:00am Mincha/Maariv 8:20pm	Shacharis 6:40am Mincha/Maariv 8:20pm	Shacharis 6:50am Mincha/Maariv 8:20pm	Shacharis 6:50am Mincha/Maariv 8:20pm	Shacharis 6:40am Mincha/Maariv 8:20pm	Shacharis 6:50am Earliest Light 7:00pm Light Candles 8:15pm Mincha 7:00pm
4 Tamuz	5 Tamuz	6 Tamuz	7 Tamuz	8 Tamuz	9 Tamuz

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YIML 2012 Graduates

Many thanks to our generous sponsors:

The Chase family in honor of Shmuel's graduation from TA Kindergarten.

The Eisenberg family in honor of Elly's graduation from TA Kindergarten and Devora's graduation from TA 8th Grade.

The Elman family in honor of Ari's graduation from Temple's Internal Medicine Residency program

The Frager family in honor of Yonatan Frankel's graduation from Harvard Law School.

The Gorlechen family in honor of Eric's High School graduation from the Wisconsin Institute for Torah Study.

The Kraftman and Pendrak families in honor of Karen's graduation from St. Joe's.

The Levy family in honor of Avraham's High School graduation from the Wisconsin Institute for Torah Study and Yaakov Zev Greenfeld's graduation from Temple University Pharmacy School.

The Lyons family in honor of Moshe Couzens' graduation from Politz 8th Grade and Faigy Zeffren's graduation from Politz 8th Grade.

The Shrager family in honor of Izzy's graduation from TA Kindergarten.

The Steinberg family in honor of Dovid's graduation from TA Kindergarten.

Community Announcement - Office Jobs Needed

Bright, responsible women in our community are seeking office/administrative employment. Resumes are available, please contact coordinator@chaicareerconnections.org.

Thought of the Week

"Aharon took [a pan with coals and incense] as Moshe had spoken and ran to the midst of the congregation, and behold! the plague had begun among the people. He placed the incense and provided atonement for the people. He stood between the dead and the living, and the plague was checked." (17:12-13)

Why did the offering of ketoret / incense stop the plague? R' Moshe Isserles z"l (1520-1572; Krakow, Poland; known as "Rema") explains:

The ketoret consisted of eleven spices, of which four are mentioned in the Torah, and three other ingredients, for a total of 14. The number four represents the four camps of Bnei Yisrael. Eleven represents all of the tribes except Levi and Yehuda, both of whom had a special status. Fourteen represents the eleven tribes plus kohanim, levi'im and the tribe of Yehuda. When the ketoret was burnt on the altar, a miracle occurred and the smoke did not disperse. Instead, it rose straight up, which represents the good deeds of Bnei Yisrael rising Heavenward and also represents the unity of the Jewish People. Along these lines, our Sages say that the ketoret contained one foul-smelling herb, symbolizing that the Jewish People are not a complete unit unless even the sinners are included.

The Gemara teaches that the kohanim would talk while crushing the spices for the ketoret because "kol" / sound improves the spices. This cannot be taken literally, Rema writes. Rather, the crushing of the spices represents the suffering of Bnei Yisrael in exile, which strengthens the "kol Yaakov" / the sound of Torah.

In light of all this, we can understand why the ketoret would cause the plague to end, i.e., because ketoret represents all that is good about the Jewish People--their unity, their good deeds, and their adherence to Torah and Torah study, even in the midst of exile. We also can see why Aharon, of all people, was the one to check the progress of the plague, since he was the one who constantly pursued unity between friends, between spouses, and among the Jewish People in general. Korach and his cohorts pursued the opposite and therefore were punished through ketoret. (Torat Ha'olah, II ch. 36)

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