

Congregation  
Chevra Kadisha B'nai Jacob-Beit Hazikaron

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Saturday, July 25, 2009 - 5 Av  
Parsha Devarim

**The Torah reading is on page 938 in the new Artscroll Chumash and on page 736 in the Hertz Chumash**

**The Haftorah is on page 1195 in the new Artscroll Chumash and on page 750 in the Hertz Chumash**

Shabbat Services

Saturday Morning	8:45a.m.
Mincha Services	8:20p.m.
Shabbat ends	9:24p.m.

Weekday Services

Morning Services	7:00a.m.
Evening Services	7:30p.m.
Next Friday	7:30p.m.

Rabbi Asher Jacobson  
Cantor Yitzhak Epstein  
Reverend Benjamin Even-Hen  
Rabbi Dan - Youth Director  
Steve Goldstein - Executive Director  
Yossi Milo - Choir Master

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*The Congregational Kiddush will be in the Cohen Hall sponsored by:*  
**Cantor and Marsha Epstein in honour of Thelma and Mish Granik's 50th  
Wedding Anniversary**  
**Mrs. Esther Sternbach in honour of Thelma and Mish Granik's 50th  
Wedding Anniversary**

**Shalosh Seudot today will be in the Raicek Hall sponsored by the  
Congregation**

**BABY SITTING FOR CHILDREN AGES 2-5 FROM 10:00 - 12:00**  
**JUNIOR CHEVRA CLUB FOR AGES 6-12 FROM 10:00 - 12:00**

**PARSHA CLASS: With Rabbi Asher Jacobson will be held on Wednesday,  
July 29, 2009 at 1:00 p.m. Every one is welcome to attend.  
Refreshments following.**

**LUNCH & LEARN: With Rabbi Asher Jacobson every Thursday from 12-1 p.m. at the  
Windsor on Peel St., Downtown. The topic is "Talmudic Ethics in the Business World".  
To register, please contact Ron Mayers by email at [ron.mayers@vmd.desjardins.com](mailto:ron.mayers@vmd.desjardins.com)**

**THE CHEVRA CHESED COMMITTEE: A NEW SHUL INITIATIVE-THE CHEVRA  
CHESED COMMITTEE (CCC) Please let us know if you or another member  
of the synagogue is not well or feels isolated and could use a personal  
connection-a phone call or a hospital or home visit. Contact Iona at 514  
482-3366 and a member of the Chevra Chessed Committee will be in  
touch with you.**

**PRAYER BOOKS: We are in the process of replacing our Chumashim and Prayer Books  
in both our Sanctuary and Daily Chapel. We encourage our members and guests to  
help us with this worthy project by making donations to our Prayer Book fund (\$36.00  
minimum) through our synagogue office. A printed label will be permanently attached  
inside the front cover bearing the name or names of the donour as well as the  
individual being honoured, memorialized or thanked.**

**KIDDUSH: Each Shabbat and Holiday, members are encouraged to honour  
their family and friends by making a donation to our Kiddush Fund.  
These donations then allow us to provide the wonderful Kiddushes for  
you, our congregants and guests, all in the ambience of relaxed  
congeniality after Shabbat services. We would kindly request that you  
contact the Synagogue office the following Monday morning so that we  
can properly acknowledge your donation and announcement.**

**FAST OF TISHA B'AV - Begins 8:28 p.m. - Wednesday, July 29, 2009**  
**Evening Services 8:30 p.m.**  
**Thursday July 30**  
**Morning Services 7:00 a.m.**  
**Evening Services - 8:00 p.m.**  
**Fast ends at 9:04 p.m.**

## “PARSHAT DEVARIM”

**The Book of Deuteronomy** What is the difference between the Book of Deuteronomy and the other four Books of the Torah? In transmitting the first four Books, Moses acted strictly as G-d’s emissary, repeating the message word for word without involving his own intellect in the process.

Deuteronomy, however, was transmitted precisely through the intellect and understanding of the leader of the generation, in response to the exact needs of the people and its particular spiritual level. Accordingly, Deuteronomy – given to the Jewish people just prior to their entry into the land of Israel, and the new lifestyle it would entail – contains many explanations of concepts that were only alluded to in the first four Books. (*The Rebbe*)

**These are the words, which Moses spoke to all of Israel (Deut. 1:1)** The Book of Deuteronomy begins with Moses chastising the Children of Israel for their transgressions in the wilderness. When harsh words were necessary, Moses didn’t refrain from using them. However, this was only when addressing “all of Israel”. When speaking with G-d, Moses consistently defended the Jewish people and acted as their advocate. This contains a lesson for all Jews, and in particular, Jewish leaders. (*Rabbi Levi Yitzchak of Berditchev*)

**You have dwelt long enough on this mountain; turn, and take your journey (Deut. 1:6)** Even though “this mountain” – Mount Sinai – was the place on which the Torah was given, the Jewish people were not allowed to linger and were commanded to continue on. This teaches that a person must not be content with his own service of G-d and shut himself up within the “four cubits” of Torah, but must travel great distances, if need be, in order to bring the light of Torah to another person. (*Likrat Shabbat*)

**How can I alone bear your weight, your burden and your strife? (Deut. 1:12)** As Rashi explains, the “burden” referred to by Moses was the heretics among the Jewish people. Commented Rabbi Nachman of Breslov: “The heaviest burden a person can bear is apostasy. The heart of a Jew who believes in G-d is calm and tranquil, while the heretic must constantly contend with the weight of his doubts and troubling thoughts.”

**Hear the causes between your brothers and judge righteously (Deut. 1:16)** From this we derive two important principles: a judge must always listen attentively to both sides of a dispute, no matter how long and rambling the arguments. Secondly, he must always make sure that both sides are treated equally when hearing their cases (*Ohr HaChaim*)

**For unto Esau have I given Mount Seir as a possession (Deut. 2:5)** Although the Children of Israel fulfilled an express command of G-d when they took over the land Canaan, G-d warned them that their desire to conquer territory should not extend beyond those lands He had explicitly promised to them. (*Rabbi Shimshon Refael Hirsch*)

### YAHREIT FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 25-31

Alter Posel, Leon Kokin, Frances Moscovitch, Hyman Kirman, Sam Constantine, Neil Friedman, Ruben Friedman, Marika Fellegi, Leah Weiner, Kalman Cohen, Arthur Heller, Nathan Kaplan, Max Seidel, Harold Dezwirek, Jimmy Rubin, Mary Halickman, Max Hockenstein, Blima Pedvis Rudner, Eddie Merling, Ilona Salamon, Koves Elemerne, Harry Berson, David Migicovsky, Louis Hersh, Herbert Issley, Millie Steinberg Slabotsky, Etel Gero, Frida Rex

**"I heard, unenthusiastically, the Americans' statement that they will defend their allies in the event that Iran arms itself with an atomic bomb, as if they have already reconciled with this possibility, and this is a mistake. Now, we don't need to deal with the assumption that Iran will attain nuclear weapons...."**--Israel's Minister for Secret Service *Dan Meridor*, speaking on Army Radio, responding to U.S. Secretary of State Hillary Clinton's statement yesterday that Washington would provide "a defense umbrella" for its allies in the Middle East in the event that Iran reaches its goal of developing nuclear weapons. (*Ha'aretz*, July 22)

**"We're not expelling anyone, nor are we revoking the citizenship of Jordanian nationals.** We are only correcting the mistake that was created after Jordan's disengagement from the West Bank in 1988. We want to highlight the true identity and nationality of every person.... We will continue to help the Palestinians hold on to their Palestinian identity by pursuing the implementation of the 1988 disengagement plan from the West Bank.... We should be thanked for taking this measure. We are fulfilling our national duty because Israel wants to expel the Palestinians from their homeland."--Jordan's Interior Minister *Nayef al-Kadi*, in London-based Al-Hayat, explaining Jordan's new policy of revoking Jordanian citizenship from thousands Palestinians. This measure has increase tensions between Jordanians and Palestinians, who make up 70 per cent of the kingdom's population. Kadi claimed that kingdom was seeking to thwart an Israeli "plot" of turning Jordan into a Palestinian state. A PA official in Ramallah expressed deep concern over Jordan's move and said it would only worsen the living conditions of Palestinians. (*Jer. Post*, July 20)

**FIFTEEN DIE IN BAGHDAD BOMBING--**(*Baghdad*) A series of bombings in Baghdad killed at least 15 people and wounded more than one hundred. In addition, there were two separate attacks on U.S. military convoys in the city, which killed at least three people. This is the worst violence the city has seen since U.S. combat troops withdrew on June 30. Iraqi authorities have said they expected an increase in violence. The recent bombings have targeted Shiites and Sunnis, as well as Americans, leaving it unclear as to who was behind the attacks. (*New York Times*, July 22)

**MUMBAI TERRORIST PLEADS GUILTY--**(*New Delhi*) The single surviving terrorist from the Mumbai attack which killed 170 people last November entered a guilty plea and confessed to his crimes. *Ajmal Amir Kasab* narrated the details of his training in Pakistan, named the individuals who conceived the plan and outlined the journey the terrorists undertook by sea. Upon reaching Mumbai, the terrorists attacked several sites, including two five-star hotels, a train station and a Jewish outreach centre. Kasab was captured in a police ambush on the night of the attacks while he was trying to escape in a stolen car. (*Washington Post*, July 21)

**ISRAEL, U.S.:"IRAN COULD BUILD BOMB WITHIN A YEAR"--**(*Jerusalem*) Both the U.S. and Israel believe that Iran has the technical capabilities to build a nuclear bomb within the year. According to reports, Iran is enriching as much low grade uranium as possible, and pursuing its ballistic missile program. (*Jerusalem Post*, July 9)

**NAZI WAR CRIMINALS STILL FREE IN THE U.S.--**(*New York*) Simon Wiesenthal Center's Nazi-hunter *Efraim Zuroff* reported earlier this week that approximately three hundred Nazi war criminals live freely in the United States. Since 1979, 107 war criminals have been prosecuted in the U.S. and at least 60 have been deported. Eleven suspected war criminals are now being prosecuted, and another 30 are under investigation. The difficulty in investigating and prosecuting these cases lies in that the evidence for them is scattered all over Europe in badly-indexed archives, witnesses to the crimes have died, and that the accused are often too infirm to stand trial. (*New York Post*, July 19)

**ISRAELI SPY MASTER DIES--**(*Jerusalem*) The man credited with reforming the Mossad into a more professional intelligence agency, with ties to foreign services and more access to computers and other non-human intelligence sources, *Meir Amit*, has died at 88. Amit engineered the defection of an Iraqi fighter pilot who landed his MIG-21 at an Israeli air base. The plane was immediately shared with the Central Intelligence Agency, helping to cement the bonds between the two nations' intelligence agencies. He also supervised the gathering of intelligence on the Egyptian and Syrian air forces, allowing the Israeli Air Force to help bring about the swift Israeli victory in 1967. (*Wall Street Journal*, July 22)

**WALTER CRONKITE DIES, AGE 92--**(*New York*) Walter Cronkite, who was the CBS Evening News anchor from 1962 to 1981, and an icon of journalism and American history, died on July 17, 2009. His career spanned the Second World War to the Iranian hostage crisis, the Kennedy and King assassinations, and the Apollo missions to the moon. "The most trusted man in America" ended his nightly newscasts with "And that's the way it is." (*New York Times*, July 18)