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Aish Thornhill Community Shul

Bulletin: Parshat Vayikra

March 28 / 29, 2020 – 3 Nisan 5780

Candle Lighting

Not Before: 6:21pm / Not After: 7:21 pm

The ongoing mission of the Aish Thornhill Community Shul is to create a family-friendly community where Jews of all backgrounds can experience meaningful Jewish Living and Heritage in an inspiring, educational and welcoming environment.

FRIDAY EVENING

Early Mincha / Kabbalat Shabbat / Maariv	6:10 pm
Mincha / Kabbalat Shabbat / Maariv	7:25 pm

SHABBAT MORNING

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SHABBAT AFTERNOON

Mincha	7:20 pm
Shalosh Seudos	No later than 7:40 pm
Shabbat Ends	8:26 pm

Virtual Havdalah with Brian Callan – 9:00 pm on ZOOM –
click this link to join in: <https://zoom.us/j/5716195379>

WEEKDAY DAVENING MARCH 29 – APRIL 3

Shacharit: Sunday		8:00 am
Shacharit: Monday - Friday		6:45 am
Mincha: Sunday – Tuesday		7:30 pm
Wednesday & Thursday		7:35 pm

NEXT SHABBAT APRIL 3 & 4 – SHABBAT HAGadol

PARSHAT: TZAV PG - 568 HAFTORAH: PG - 1167

April 3rd Candle Lighting	Not before:	6:27 pm
	Not after:	7:30 pm
Early Mincha / Kabbalat Shabbat / Maariv		6:15 pm
Mincha / Kabbalat Shabbat / Maariv		7:35 pm
April 4th: Shabbat Ends		8:35 pm

Cholim List

Month of Nisan

The Week of March 29, 2020

MEN	WOMEN
Yakov ben Rivka* Shmuel ben Shayna* Ephraim ben Chaya Baruch ben Chana* Aryeh Leib ben Esther Hadas* Shlomo Yosef HaCohen ben Tzina* Dovid ben Esther Malka* Reuvain Ephraim ben Faygie Shimon Alexander ben Chana Riva Yehuda ben Sarah* Amran ben Rivkah Yishaia Dovid ben Chasha Baila Yehuda ben Sarah Hillel ben Rivka Eliezer Shmuel ben Alta Leah* Shlomo ben Razel* Shachneh ben Riva* Baruch Alon ben Aviva* Dov ben Batsheva* Pesach Dovid ben Aidel Oleg ben Elvera HaRav Michael ben Denise Imi Dov Ber ben Zlata Gershon ben Dora* Issachar Baruch ben Chana Rivka*	Victoria bat Beyla Perl* Ita bat Sara Rivkah* Miriam bat Sora Slata* Chaya bat Malka* Bayla Miriam bat Sarah* Bayla bat Leah Gila* Fremit Golda Chana bat Henya* Tova bat Dubby* Bayla bat Simma Devorah* Zipporah bat Avraham Iyteh bat Shaynah Chava bat Chana Leah bat Chaya Bayla bas Chana Naomi bat Marcella Baila Miriam bad Yehudi Sara Gittel bat Leah Yocheved bat Havah* Michal bas Nitza Tzippa Zelda bat Chaya Gitta Yocha Leni Bas Davorah Etta* Nechama bas Sheva* Rochel bat Matel * Denise Imi bat Chatoon Shulamit Yechiella bat Ita Rachel* Ronit Shoshana bat Lipa Chana* Rachel bat Ramo* Malka Nechama bat Charna Merrill* Bluma Rose bat Sara Shoshana Tsipora bat Flava Baila Shayndel Chaya bat Leah Esther bat Chava

Names remain on this list for an entire Hebrew month and are removed on Rosh Chodesh.

Please call or write to have the name added again for the following month if needed.

Including the names of those who are ill in our prayers not only directly benefits the ill person; it is equally beneficial to the person praying. Along with the giving of Tzedaka one should include the names of members of the community within one's prayers on a regular basis. Since we are requesting mercy from the Almighty, it is customary to include the person's name and that of their mother.

To add a name to this list, kindly contact the office at **905.764.1891** or e mail theshul@aish.com with the individual's Hebrew name and that person's MOTHER'S Hebrew name.

THE GRIPES *of* ROTHMAN

THIS RABBI'S VIEW OF LIFE *in an Age of Uncertainty*

If we would go back just half a year and I would tell you that the entire world will shortly be put into quarantine, the economy of the world's most powerful nations will be in free fall, in some countries thousands of people will die and throughout the world people are getting ill, **no one would have believed me.**

Even more so, if I told you that this has nothing to do with war, was not caused by computer hackers, there was no use of conventional, nuclear or even chemical weapons of mass destruction, but rather by an unseen, almost invisible flu, you would certainly have taken me off to some locked ward in a psychiatric hospital.

As we are now in the month of Nissan, the central month of freedom and of course, Pesach; allow me to quote from Rabbi SR Hirsch's commentary on the Torah regarding the plague of frogs.

Rabbi Hirsch asks a question that if all of us did not think of asking, I expect our teenage children did, "Why frogs? Of all things why would HaShem send frogs as a plague? Rabbi Hirsch answers that the absurdity of sending frogs, is exactly why HaShem sent frogs.

As he says, frogs are ridiculous, frogs cannot hurt anyone. They hop around, they don't bother anyone and certainly are nothing more than a slight nuisance at worst. **Yet, they were able to bring the most powerful and advanced nation of the world to its knees.**

Why frogs? Because logic says they have no power and are little more than the clowns of the animal world. HaShem picked the lowly frog for just that reason.

To teach the arrogant Egyptians how absurd it is to believe that they themselves are the strength and power behind the kingdom and their success.

HaShem sent frogs to teach the mighty Egyptians that it is not your strength, ingenuity or intelligence that made the Egyptian empire what it was, it was the "hand of G-d".

The frogs were able to totally decimate the Egyptian economy and all of Egypt's power in the world- **all without going to war, shooting a single bullet or dropping a bomb.**

No reasonable person can say why this is happening now or why it is happening at all.

Yet, it appears to me that our situation with COVID-19 is exactly the same. Economies are slipping, people around the world are dying, the powerful medical field is in disarray, millions of people are being ordered to stay in quarantine within their homes- ***all due to a flu virus.*** This flu has become the Plague of Frogs of our generation.

I can't tell you why this is happening, but I can tell you some thing we can learn about it.

Could it be that G-d is ultimately letting us know that it is not us, the people of the world, the people with the power to drop bombs that would destroy humanity- ***who are in real control?*** Rather it is G-d himself who has the ultimate and real power.

We are not discussing the effect of a chemical or nuclear war, we are not dealing with issues of security, but rather all we can talk, think or dream about is finding a vaccination for this virus, a virus that should not have such enormous effect on our modern sophisticated world- ***but yet it does.***

The lesson of G-d running the world is not one of defeatism or destiny. Rather it is that G-d wants to partner with us in making the world the most beautiful, just, free and kind place we could imagine.

He invites us to participate. Sure, we need to discover the vaccination. He wants us to use our mind and our advancements in medicine to find a cure. ***Yet, he also wants us to include him in the process.***

What we are seeing is that we cannot do it alone, our egos as humans are larger than our abilities. We turn to the Almighty for he has the ultimate power and oversight, yet we also look within ourselves as how to partner with him in growing.

We can use this time to help others, we can use this time to introspect, we can use this time to reevaluate our goals and ours purpose in the world.

We need to learn this lesson and accept G-d's invitation to join him in running the world.

We hear his message, let us do everything we can to stay healthy and make use of his message to grow, help and become the best people we can.

Rabbi Avram Rothman
Senior Rabbi

Thanks to chr.edu & the writings of Rabbi SR Hirsch for assistance



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DELEGATION OF POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR SALE OF CHAMETZ 5780-2020

Be it known that I, the undersigned, fully empower and permit Rabbi Avram Rothman to act in my place and on my behalf to sell all Chametz possessed by me, knowingly and unknowingly, as defined by Torah law and its rabbinic explanations and protections.

This includes Chametz, possible Chametz, mixtures containing Chametz, and Chametz that adheres to, or is absorbed in, surfaces of all cooking utensils and implements. Rabbi Rothman also has the right to lease all locations in which Chametz is stored, and to lease right of access to those locations.

This sale includes Chametz at (please specify building address, and locations within the building): _____

and other locations. A key to those locations will be available from April 8 until at least April 16, at the following address _____.

The estimated value of the Chometz I am selling is \$_____.

Rabbi Avram Rothman has the full right to sell and lease by transactions, as he deems fit and proper, and for such time which he believes necessary in accordance with all detailed terms and detailed forms as explained in the general authorization contract to be used this year by Rabbi Rothman to sell the Chametz. This general authorization is made a part of said contract.

Also, do I hereby give Rabbi Rothman full power of attorney to appoint a substitute in his stead with full power to sell and to lease as provided herein. The above given power is in conformity with all Torah law and its rabbinic explanations and protections, and also is in accordance with the laws of the Province of Ontario and of Canada.

- I understand that delegation of power of attorney takes effect by symbolic acquisition of a physical item, or by verbal expression of agreement, or by hand-clasping, or by signing the contract below.
- I understand that the sale of the Chametz, and leasing of storage space and access, for which Rabbi Rothman will be the agent, is effective beginning at or before the morning of Wednesday, April 8.
- I understand that the sale of Chametz, and leasing of storage space and access, for which Rabbi Rothman will be the agent, will be complete and unconditional. The purchaser will have every right to enter the addresses listed, and make use of the Chametz stored therein, as that Chametz will belong to the purchaser.

And to this I hereby affix my signature on this _____ day of Adar / Nissan (circle one) in the year 5780, corresponding to the _____ day of March/April (circle one), 2020.

Name (print) _____ Signature _____

Address _____

Phone _____

IT IS PREFERABLE TO BRING THIS FORM IN PERSONALLY TO THE RAV TO EFFECT A KINYAN, BUT IF THIS IS NOT POSSIBLE, IT CAN ALSO BE MAILED, OR E-MAILED BEFORE APRIL 8 TO theskul@aish.com

THE AISH THORNHILL COMMUNITY SHUL
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AT 3PM!

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with David Toledo
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CONNECTING OUR YOUTH

**Sunday March 29,
6:30 pm**

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davidtoley@gmail.com**

**Prizes from - Amazon, Starbucks,
Baskin Robbins, Toys R us etc.**
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CONNECTING OUR YOUTH WITH LEARNING, FUN & PRIZES

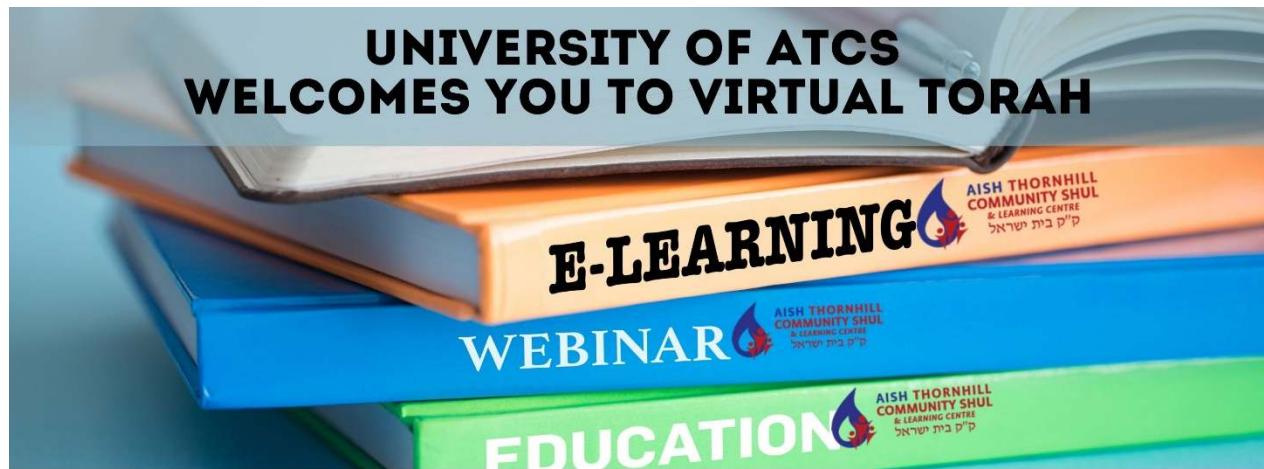
**Sunday April 5,
6:30 pm**



**Prizes from - Amazon, Starbucks,
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<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/4453831271>

UNIVERSITY OF ATCS WELCOMES YOU TO VIRTUAL TORAH



Daily Class - Monday - Friday 10:00 am

Rabbi Shlomi Schwartz discusses Jordan Peterson's 12 Rules of Life Book.

Zoom Invitation: <https://zoom.us/j/310301095>

Weekly Classes

Sundays, 8:30 pm - 9:30pm:

Ian Liebenthal: Acquiring Skills in Mishna - Sukkah
Zoom Invitation: <https://zoom.us/j/912709678>

Mondays, 8:30 pm - 9:30 pm:

Rabbi Shaanan Scherer: Modern Jewish History from
Emancipation to Today.....
Zoom Invitation: <https://zoom.us/j/641631489>

Tuesdays, 8:00 pm - 9:00 pm:

Donny Meisels: Gemarah: Learning Basic Skills &
Ideas of Learning Talmud
Zoom Invitation: <https://zoom.us/j/577996164>

Wednesdays, 10:00 am - 11:00 am:

Rabbi Rothman: Practical Parsha for Women:
Applying the Parsha to our Everyday Exciting Lives
Zoom Invitation: <https://zoom.us/j/844363699>

Thursdays, 8:00 pm - 9:00 pm:

Dr Mati Rothman: Parenting from the Parsha:
Discovering the Jewish Way to Parent as Found in
the Wisdom of the Torah
Zoom Invitation: <https://zoom.us/j/894032002>

Thursdays, 9:00 pm - 9:30 pm:

Lev Mirlas: The Rambam's Approach to Free Will
Zoom Invitation: <https://zoom.us/j/238163649>

STAY TUNED FOR NEW CLASSES

The Aish Thornhill Community Shul presents



Social Distancing & Study- Learn Torah by phone with another ATCS member!

In collaboration with Partners in Torah Toronto

Contact: Shauna Walker at
shaunawalker123@gmail.com for information.



NEGATIVITY IS A VIR...S

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IMPORTANT JOINT STATEMENT TO THE ORTHODOX COMMUNITY

Rabbinic leaders and organizations across the Orthodox spectrum have, individually, declared the health threat presented by COVID-19 a mortal threat (*sakanas nefashos*). Today, we, leaders of major American Orthodox Jewish organizations, join together to reiterate, as clearly and forcefully as we can, our collective view. We have heretofore urged not only full compliance with all health guidelines issued by federal, state, and local governments, but have gone beyond those pronouncements in urging our communities to remain at home and avoid, to the maximum extent feasible, any outside interactions. In keeping with those guidelines, we have mandated scrupulous hygiene and social distancing, and urged everyone to stay home and minimize physical interaction.

We have taken the unprecedented and deeply distressing step of shuttering the central fixtures of our lives - our shuls, yeshivos and schools - and certainly to eliminate other gatherings.

**WE HAVE DONE SO BECAUSE AS OBSERVANT JEWS
WE HAVE AN OBLIGATION TO PLACE SUPREME VALUE ON
PROTECTING HUMAN LIFE (PIKUACH NEFESH).**

The undersigned, representing the broad spectrum of organized Orthodox Jewry in the United States, wish to underscore collectively that which each of our organizations has already stated unequivocally.

STAY HOME; SAVE LIVES.

May Hashem swiftly remove this plague from the world and bless us all with health, peace and tranquility.

Rabbi Chaim Dovid Zwiebel, Executive Vice President, Agudath Israel of America

Rabbi Mendy Mirocznik, Executive Vice-President, Igud HaRabbanim - Rabbinical Alliance of America

Rabbi Shmuel Blech, Chairman, Rabbi Moshe Weisberg, Co-Chair, the Lakewood Vaad

Farley Weiss, President, National Council of Young Israel

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Rabbi Daniel Korobkin, President, Rabbi Mark Dratch, Executive Vice President, Rabbinical Council of America

Additional signatories are forthcoming and will be featured in updated statements.



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