The Spanish & Portuguese Synagogue

Shabbat Vayiggash

December 14-15, 2018

CANDLE LIGHTING | 4:11 pm
EVENING SERVICES | 4:15 pm
FRIDAY NIGHT LIGHTS | Rabbi Soloveichik | "Ba’ameh Madlikin Brought to Life; An Extraordinary Archeological Discovery" | 2018-2019 season sponsored by the Jule family.

MORNING SERVICES | Main Sanctuary | 8:15 am
TOT SHABBAT | Ages 0-4 | 10:00 am | Fidance Youth Room
YOUTH GROUPS | Ages 5-12 | 10:00 am | Elias Room
JUNIOR CONGREGATION | 10:30 am | Little Synagogue
SERMON | Rabbi Soloveichik | "The First Rabbi of the New World: The Epic Tale of Rabbi Isaac Aboab da Fonseca"
KIDDUSH LUNCHEON | Levy Auditorium | Sponsored by Vicki & Sam Katz, in honor of former MK Rabbi Haim Ansamli for his great work with "Zera Yisrael."

SHABBAT AFTERNOON SHUR | Rabbi Soloveichik | 3:30 pm | Judaism and Josephism | Levy Auditorium
EVENING SERVICES | 4:30 pm
HABDALA | 4:56 pm
PARENT-CHILD LEARNING & PIZZA | Rabbi Soloveichik | 6:30 pm | Elias Room

The fast of Tebeth is next Tuesday. See inside for full schedule.
REMEMBERING BAGHDAD—
Between the Tigris and the Hudson:
Celebrating Iraqi Jewish Heritage at Shearith Israel
Special interview with Mr. Ezra Zilkhah, and a panel discussion featuring Professor Carole Basri, Mr. David Dangoor, and Mr. David Lavipour
Sunday, December 16 | 7:00 pm
Join us for an unforgettable evening to hear about Jewish life in the cultured, progressive, and cosmopolitan city of Baghdad before WWII, the tragedy of the Farhud and the unprecedented IDF Airlift operation Ezra & Nehemiah.
Hear first-hand accounts of life in Baghdad from Jews who lived through it and about how this ancient community still survives in Israel and America today.
Includes a screening of the short film, “What We Left Behind” by Professor Henry Green.
This event is FREE, thanks to our generous sponsors. The special reception is has reached capacity, but if you would like to attend the program ONLY, visit shearithisrael.org/baghdad.

This program, which showcases the extraordinary diversity of our congregation throughout its history until today, is one of our many Year of Years, 369th Anniversary celebration events.

Pre-Pay Your 2019-2020 Dues
Through December 31
As we approach the end of 2018, and back by popular demand, we are again offering you another way to help the synagogue while potentially improving your own 2018 tax position.
Full, associate, and young members may pre-pay 2019-2020 dues at our current rates. If we receive your payment by December 31, 2018, you will be exempt from any dues increase that may be implemented in the upcoming year.
To pre-pay, go to shearithisrael.org/prepay2019.

PTTS Shabbaton 2.0
Shabbat, January 19
After the success of our first PTTS Shabbaton, we’re happy to announce our second Shabbat morning where PTTS students are invited to take the lead in our Junior Congregation. And feel free to stick around by signing up for our Shabbat Shira Sing-Along Luncheon!

Calling CSI Teens
Like last time, we are looking for a few experienced Junior Congregation participants to mentor some of our PTTS students to help them prepare for this special event. This is a rewarding and fun chance to support our PTTS students, and can also be used to fulfill community service hours.
Contact Yona Glass at yglass@shearithisrael.org if you would like to help a PTTS student with their part.

Winter Coat Drive
Now Through December 31
Donate gently used coats for men, women, and children, to keep those in need warm this winter season. We will get them to New York Cares.
Drop off in the bin outside Levy Auditorium through December 31. (Tax receipts available upon request.)

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS
Hazak u’Barukh to Marco DiLaurenti on being honored with the “Community Leadership Award” by the Rabbinical Seminary of America - Yeshiva Chofetz Chaim, in Queens.

Hazakot u’Barukhot to Meryl Jaffe and her daughter, Talia Hurwitz, on the publication of their book, Worth A Thousand Words: Using Graphic Novels to Teach Visual and Verbal Literacy. The book is available on Amazon.com. For more information, including lesson plans, visit meryljaffe.com.

SHABBAT SHIRAH SING-ALONG LUNCHEON
Featuring our talented musical triumvirate:
Hazzan Rabbi Ira Rohde, Associate Hazzan Rev. Philip L. Sherman, and Shamas, Zachary Edinger
Have you ever wished you were more familiar with Shearith Israel’s unique liturgy and melodies? Do you ever have the urge to sing along with the Shearith Israel choir (or belt it out at your own home)? At this special Shabbat luncheon, join the uplifting voices of our clergy in discussing, learning, and singing classic Shearith Israel tunes in a laid-back, cozy atmosphere.
All ages are sure to enjoy what will undoubtedly be a chart-topping hit.
Stay tuned for registration and sponsorship details.

SCHUL IMNSHER
This Saturday Night: Parent-Child Learning & Pizza
On 3 Saturday Nights:
THIS Shabbat, December 15
6:30 pm—Led by Rabbi Soleveichik
January 12 | 6:45 pm—Led by Rabbi Ira Rohde
February 9 | 7:00 pm—Led by Z. Edinger
For Elementary School Aged Children & Their Parents or Grandparents
This new initiative gives parents (or grandparents) the opportunity to study Torah with their children together with Shearith Israel’s clergy. Pizza and prizes help make this a fun-filled evening of inter-generational learning.
Register for the December 15 session (only $5 per person) at shearithisrael.org/parent-child-learning.

MITZVOT WORKSHOPS WITH SHAMASH, Z. EDINGER
For All Elementary School Aged Children
Select Sunday Mornings at 10:00 am
Sunday, December 23 | Sunday, March 3 | Sunday, April 14
These Mitzvot Workshops are a wonderful opportunity for our elementary school age youth - both boys and girls - to learn to sing the melodies of selected prayers from the Shabbat and holiday services as well as learn about the parts of the Torah service, and receive training in the hands-on parts of the service.
Sign up for December 23 (it’s FREE) at shearithisrael.org/mitzvot-workshop.