



CONGREGATION SHEARITH ISRAEL  
The Spanish & Portuguese Synagogue

**Shabbat Vaera**  
*January 15-16, 2021*

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**SHABBAT SCHEDULE**

**Friday Evening Services** | Main Sanctuary  
4:45 pm

**Shabbat Morning Services**  
8:45 am | Outdoors at 8 West 70th Street  
9:30 am | Indoors in the Main Sanctuary

**Shabbat Afternoon Services** | Main Sanctuary  
4:40 pm

**Habdala** | 5:22 pm  
**Virtual Habdala** | 5:45 pm | Rev. Z. Edinger

**Weekday Service Times**

**Shahrit** | Indoors in the Main Sanctuary  
Monday-Thursday | 7:15 am

**Minha & Arbit** | Outdoors at 8 W 70th Street  
Sunday | 4:45

**Arbit only** | Outdoors at 8 W 70th Street  
Monday-Thursday | 6:30 pm

*(Reminder: By attending our services or participating in our activities, you and your family are affirming all the procedures, requirements, and undertakings included on our registration forms and are committed to maintaining strict social distancing practices in EVERY aspect of your life. We each rely on one another to keep our community healthy and safe.)*

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**ONGOING WEEKLY PROGRAMMING**

**Sundays | 8:45 am**  
Zoom | *Rabbi Sjimon den Hollander*  
Guide to the Duties of the Heart

**Monday-Friday Mornings | Times vary**  
Zoom | *Rabbi Ira Robde and Rev. Z. Edinger*  
Morning Zoom: The Book of Kings

**Mondays & Wednesdays | 10:00 am**  
Zoom | *Liz Rios* | Toddler Zoom

**Tuesdays | 7:30 pm**  
Conference Call | *Rabbi Soloveichik*  
The Art of Torah: The Parasha & the World's  
Greatest Paintings

**Wednesdays | 7:00 pm**  
Zoom | *Rabbi Ira Robde* | Weekly Debar Torah

**Thursdays | 7:30 pm**  
Conference call | *Rabbi Soloveichik*  
Friday Night Lights...Now On Thursdays

**Fridays, before Shabbat | Times vary**  
Zoom | *Rev. Z. Edinger*  
Hashcaba Service & Misheberakh for the Ill

**Saturday nights, after Shabbat | Times vary**  
Zoom | *Rev. Z. Edinger* | Habdala Service

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***Make sure you are signed up for our email list ([shearithisrael.org/join-our-email-list](https://shearithisrael.org/join-our-email-list)) for access to these programs and many more!***

*Sponsorship opportunities are available for many of these classes. If you are interested in sponsoring a class or series, visit our website or contact Barbara Reiss at [breiss@shearithisrael.org](mailto:breiss@shearithisrael.org).*

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## COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

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We welcome new member **Lucas Drill** to our growing Shearith Israel family.

Mazal tob to **Judy & Joel Schreiber**, upon the birth of a great-grandson, born to their grandchildren, Carly & Sammy Schreiber Rausch.

Mazal tob to **Shlomit & Chaim Edelstein**, upon the birth of twin granddaughters, Devorah and Chana Beila, born to their children, Rabbi Ariel & Elizabeth Edelstein.

### Happy Birthday to Our Congregants:

Michael Aboodi, Harris Bak, David Benzaquen, Louis Berg, Emma Blass, Sofi Daar, Erna Dana, Sharon Dane, Altoon Dweck Schoor, Alan Eisenman, Susan Elias, Arthur Fox, Michael Gelman, Yitzhak Goldstein, Andre Guenoun, Seth Haberman, Shirin Kaye, Jacob Kestenbaum, Alexandra Rachel Levite, Aimee Margolis, Oran Meisels, Jason Mirvis, David Naggar, Rebecca Okin, Tikva Ostrega, Andrew Ostrega, Vivienne Roumani-Denn, Michael Schulder, Lawrence Seymour, Jordan Silversmith, Philip Stanton, Olya Turcihin, and Lloyd Zuckerberg.

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## COMING UP

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### ON TU B'SHEBAT:

#### Fantastic Fruits & How to Cook Them

*A Tu B'Shebat Cooking Class led by Rabbi Ira Rohde*

**Wednesday, January 27 | 7:30 pm | On Zoom**

Rabbi Rohde and special guests help us rediscover overlooked and forgotten foods of Ancient Israel. Rabbi Rohde will combine recipe information/demonstration with background culinary history.

*To register, go to [shearithisrael.org/fantastic-fruits](https://shearithisrael.org/fantastic-fruits).*

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### Sunday Matinee

#### Double feature of animated films:

***I Candy & Miracle on Central Park West***

*Sponsored by The Sisterhood*

**Session 4: Sunday, February 7 | 2:00 pm | Zoom**

***Followed by Q&A with the award-winning animator, Candy Kugel***

Did you know that one of the top animators of today is our congregant? Her career has spanned over a half century with work in commercial television and feature production, including Sesame Street and MTV. Join us for two of her short films!

*To register, go to [shearithisrael.org/sunday-matinee](https://shearithisrael.org/sunday-matinee).*

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### Grand(Parent)-Child Learning

#### FINAL SESSION:

**Saturday Night, February 13 | 7:00 pm**

***Led by Rev. Z. Edinger***

Spending quality time with grandchildren, once a commonplace joy, has become increasingly difficult, especially in these socially-distanced times. But we've also learned how technology can bridge barriers. To that end, this year we especially encourage grandparents to share Torah and family time with their grandchildren during these 3 Saturday night sessions, each led by a different member of our clergy. Parents are of course welcome as well for this multigenerational bonding opportunity, as we pass on our traditions *m'dor l'dor*.

*To register, go to*

***[shearithisrael.org/grandparent-child](https://shearithisrael.org/grandparent-child)***

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## PURIM AT SHEARITH ISRAEL

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### Attend Megillah Readings at Shearith Israel

**In the Main Sanctuary & Outdoors on Paved Paradise**

*Megillat Esther* should be heard in person by everyone who is able to do so. While maintaining strict social distancing, both indoors in the Main Sanctuary and outdoors on Paved Paradise, we want anyone who wishes to attend in person to be able to. Additional shifts will be added if necessary. We will be offering livestream readings for those who are unable to attend in person.

***Thursday Evening, February 25:***

**5:30 pm | Minha/Arbit**

**6:00 pm | Megillah Reading**

*Additional readings may be added, subject to sign-up*

***Friday Morning, February 26:***

**7:15 am | Shahrit**

**7:45 am | Megillah Reading**

**9:00 am | Women's Reading (outdoors only)**

**11:00 am | Family-Friendly Reading (outdoors only)**

***A full halakhic, costume-optional reading for young and young at heart***

Registration is required for in-person and Zoom readings.

*To register for in-person readings, visit [shearithisrael.org/megillah-5781](https://shearithisrael.org/megillah-5781)*

Sign-up for Zoom readings coming soon!