



**Shabbat, 6<sup>th</sup> November 2021 / 2<sup>nd</sup> Kislev 5782**

**Toldot**

**Service Times**

Friday night service	4.10 pm
Candle lighting for Friday night	4.12 pm
Shacharit	9.30 am
Mincha follows kiddush	after 12.10 pm

**No Ma'ariv Service**

Shabbat Ends 5.14 pm

Next Week: Mincha followed by Kabbalat Shabbat at **4pm**. (candle lighting at 4.01pm)

Booking is now open for [Kabbalat Shabbat](#) on **Friday, 12<sup>th</sup> November at 4pm** and for [Shabbat Vayetzei](#) on **13<sup>th</sup> November at 9.30am**.

**Bookings will close at 6pm on Wednesday, 10<sup>th</sup> November.**

We are open for Shacharit services, On **Sunday at 8.15am, Monday & Thursday at 7.05am, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday at 7.15am.**

We are open for **Ma'ariv** on **Monday - Thursday at 7.30pm.**

To book your place please **e-mail** or call Robin on 07956 617669.

Eleanor & Richard Burack on their wedding anniversary.

Jessie Cherkoff, Norman Goldstein, Alan Griver, Helena Helman, Rita Jacobs, Rochelle Jay, Alfred Lawrence on their respective birthdays.

Elizabeth Benjamin on the birth of a great granddaughter.



**Torah Reading**

Leyning: Toldot

Sefer Bereishit: 25:19-28:9

Artscroll p 124, Cohen/Soncino p 140, Hertz p 93

Haftorah: Malachi 1:1 - 2:7

Artscroll p 1137, Cohen/Soncino p 159, Hertz p 102

**Rabbi Steven Danksy**

**Simon Stern**

*If you would like to mark a birthday or Simcha, or want to commemorate a Yahrzeit, this can be done by sponsoring Cranbrook News. In the forthcoming weeks, there are many dates that are available.*

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**Children's Service:** 10.30am

**Regular Weekday Services in the Main Synagogue**

**Shacharit:** Sunday & Public Holidays – 8.15am

**Shacharit:** Monday and Thursday at 7.05am

Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday at 7.15am

**Rosh Chodesh Shacharit:** Monday to Friday at 7am; Sunday at 8am

**Ma'ariv:** Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday at 7.30pm.

### Dates for the Diary

#### November

Monday 8 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Men's Virtual Happy Hour</i>
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Coffee &amp; Chat with Rev Newman</i> <i>Desert Island Discs @ 8pm</i>
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Rabbi Shiur @ 10am</i>
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Ladies Tea &amp; Chat</i>
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Men's Virtual Happy Hour</i>
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Coffee &amp; Chat with Rev Newman</i>
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Rabbi Shiur @ 10am</i>
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Ladies Tea &amp; Chat</i>
Sunday 21 <sup>st</sup>	<i>Mitzvah Day</i> <i>AJEX Remembrance Sunday</i>
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	<i>Men's Virtual Happy Hour</i>
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	<i>Coffee &amp; Chat with Rev Newman</i> <i>Music Extravaganza @ 8pm</i>
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Rabbi Shiur @ 10am</i>
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Ladies Tea &amp; Chat</i>
Shabbat 27 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Mevarachim HaChodesh</i>
Sunday 28 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Chanukah Glow in the Dark Disco</i> <i>1<sup>st</sup> Night Chanukah</i>
Monday 29 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Men's Virtual Happy Hour</i> <i>2<sup>nd</sup> Night Chanukah</i>

**Covid still remains a Major Health Risk**

**\*MASKS MUST BE WORN WHILST IN SHUL\***

**SANITISE YOUR HANDS FREQUENTLY**

**PLEASE LEAVE 1 SEAT BETWEEN EACH PERSON**

- **Keep building well ventilated even in winter**
- **Avoid hand shaking or contact greeting**
- **Cloakrooms remain closed, keep belongings with you**
- **Ladies Exit and Enter using main stairs keep left**

For Security, please vacate forecourt as soon as possible.

Stay Safe

### **We wish Long Life to everyone who is observing a Yahrzeit this week:**

Helen Aaronson, Melody Alicoon, Warren Berliner, Harvey Bourne, Adrienne Braham, Shirley Burke, Betty Bush, Hilary Clapper, Sylvia Cohen, Freda De Leeuw, Sophie Diamond, Corinne Fishman, Esther Frankel, Louis Freedman, Barbara Gallant, Eugene Gaufman, Patricia Gedalla, Dean Gilles, Helen Gilles, Muriel Godfrey, Jillian Gold, Norman Goldstein, Bryan Hurwitz, Arnold Jackson, Adele Judt, Susan Kalinsky, Marsha Kay, Sheila Keizner, Lillian Kirsch, Sheila Leaderman, Norma Levinson, Rose Levy, Sheila Levy, Edmond Mandell, Shirley Marks, Perry Melnick, Marlene Mendel, Esther Michaels, Janet Mitchell, Sidney Moss, Rose Nathan, David Rein, Frances Robin, Leila Rome, Joan Rose, John Rose, Ruth Rosen, Irene Rosenberg, Rosalind Rozansky, Sidney Schlesinger, Evelyn Schneider, Sharon Segal, Keith Shenker, Martine Sholem, Kevin Simmons, Brenda Stanton, Ruth Starr, Rita Stedman, Stanley Weston, Sandra Young, Michelle Zubary and Susan Zussman.



# DESERT ISLAND DISCS

TUESDAY 9<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER  
8.00PM - 9.30PM

Hosted by  
Stephen Colman and Tony Kaye

Queries to  
Robin Abrahams 07956 617669

Zoom:  
<https://tinyurl.com/musicextravaganza>  
ID: 823 7234 9872  
Passcode: 157750



OUR COMMUNITY ARE PROUD TO BE SUPPORTING TWO CHARITIES

# Mitzvah Day

21st November 2021

**Buy One GIFT One**

PLEASE PURCHASE EXTRA ITEMS FOR THOSE IN NEED

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- Couscous
- Rice
- Pulses
- Toiletries
- Tena
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- Spreads
- Crackers
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Please help us in supporting GIFT who provide dry, non-perishable, kosher foods in their food banks for people in need. Currently their food stocks are extremely low and they need our help.

Drop your dry non-perishable kosher foods (as per The Really Jewish Food Guide) and wipeable new toys (NOT soft toys or teddies) to the Shul Office during the times below.

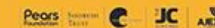
MON-THURS 10AM-2PM  
FRI 10AM-12PM  
OR  
SUNDAY 21ST NOVEMBER  
10AM-12PM



## HEROES FLY HEROES SAVE HEROES COLLECT TOYS

We are also asking for help to support Camp Simcha who provide new, wipeable toys to seriously ill children in over 120 hospital wards and hospices throughout London, Hertfordshire, Essex and Manchester. They are short of toys which are suitable for babies and also teenagers, so these are particularly appreciated.

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# CHANUKAH KIDS DISCO

*glow in the dark party!*

For Primary School Ages

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SUNDAY 28<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER | 5.30-8PM  
TICKETS £8 (INC LIGHT SUPPER)  
TICKETS MUST BE PURCHASED IN ADVANCE  
[HTTPS://TINYURL.COM/CHANUKAH-DISCO](https://tinyurl.com/chanukah-disco)

CRANBROOK UNITED SYNAGOGUE

## AJEX Remembrance Sunday

If you wish to travel to the Cenotaph on Sunday 21st November 2021 to attend the AJEX Parade, then please call or email Arnold Rose to book your place on the transport he is arranging.

The coach will leave from Gants Hill Library at midday.

Arnold Rose - Mob: 07774 140499

Email: [rose228@btinternet.com](mailto:rose228@btinternet.com)

**THE ANNUAL AJEX REMEMBRANCE PARADE & CEREMONY**

SUNDAY 21ST NOVEMBER - PARADE BEGINS 2PM  
CENOTAPH, WHITEHALL, LONDON SW1

**WE WILL REMEMBER**

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## News and Views

Parashat Toldot begins with the ways in which Esau and Jacob grow up in their father's house. We are told that even though they were twins, their temperaments could not have been more different. While Jacob is closeted in his tents, Esau is a highly skilled hunter. Isaac loves Esau **because** he is a great hunter, while Rivka simply loves Jacob. There is no reason provided in the verse as to why Rivka loves Jacob so much.



The Rabbis were aware of the different ways in which Isaac and Rebecca relate to their children. In Ethics of our Fathers we are told the following: "Love which is independent of anything will last forever, whereas love which is dependent on a thing, will not last forever." Love which is dependent on a context, or a behaviour, will not last forever, but love which is independent of any context will last for all eternity.

Isaac's love for Esau is dependent on his ability to hunt – this is the condition of love, the context upon which the love between them exists. Once Esau's hunting prowess ceases, so too the love that existed between Isaac and his son begins to dissipate. However, Rebecca's love for Jacob is not dependent on anything that he does – Rebecca loves her son just because **he is**. Such a love will last for all eternity. Why then does Isaac love Esau in this way? Why can he not love Esau in the same altruistic way that his wife Rebecca loves Jacob?

Isaac truly wanted to love his son Esau on a more unconditional level. However, Esau's actions do not endear him to his father.. His only redeeming feature was his ability to hunt for his father – the last vestige of Esau's moral standing lay in his extreme love for his father. Isaac desperately searches for a common entity which still binds the two of them together.

This love has a very tragic ending - when Esau hears that Jacob has taken the birthright, and that his father has already blessed Jacob on the basis of the food that had already been prepared by him. Esau's response is to lift his voice up and cry. His value to his father is his ability to hunt and feed him. Take it away, and Esau feels completely bereft of love.

The sadness that is Esau's lot when he is not blessed is something that we experience on a day-to-day basis. We judge ourselves on the basis of our successes and failures. When we are only as good as our latest success, what are the ramifications to ourselves? What are the ramifications to others? The message from this parasha is something for us to think about.



Being able to accept ourselves completely, being happy with who we are, warts and all, is therefore absolutely essential to our own happiness and the happiness around us. To have self- love is the basis of loving others. The Torah says "love your neighbour as yourself" - only if you love yourself, if you accept yourself, can you love others. Such is the power of unconditional love.

I wish you all a good Shabbos

Rabbi Steven, Siobhan, Maya, and Talia Dansky.

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