

קולנו Kolenu

בס"ד

Shabbos Mevorchim - יארן	
Candle Lighting:	4:46 PM
Mincha Erev Shabbos:	4:55 PM
The Rav's Parasha Shiur:	8:00 AM
Shacharis:	7:30, 8:45 & 9:00 AM
The Rav's Daf Yomi:	After Maariv
Rabbi Dr. Agatstein's Daf Yomi:	After Maariv
The Rav's Navi Shiur:	4:05 PM
Mincha:	4:20 PM (early, to allow time for Sheva Brachos)
Shabbos Ends / Shabbos Ends - רבינו תם:	5:51 PM / 6:18 PM
Weekday	
The Rav's Daf Yomi:	30 min before first minyan
Rabbi Dr. Agatstein's Daf Yomi:	8:30 AM Sun 8:00 PM Mon-Wed 9:00 PM Thurs
Last Time for Shema/Tefillah for This Week:	9:30 AM / 10:21 AM
Shacharis:	6:25 & 8:00 AM Sun 6:15 & 7:00 AM Mon 6:25 & 7:00 AM Tues 6:10 & 7:00 AM Wed (Rosh Chodesh) 6:15 & 7:00 AM Thurs 6:25 & 7:00 AM Fri
Mincha / Maariv:	4:55 PM
Kollel Boker	5:30 AM-7:00 AM Mon-Fri 6:30 AM-8:00 AM Sun
Next Shabbos - בא	
Candle Lighting:	4:53 PM
Mincha Erev Shabbos:	5:00 PM

Young Israel of Hancock Park

יארן

January 13, 2018 – כ"ו טבת

To find out the status of the Eruv, please visit: www.laeruv.com or call 1-877-ERUV-INFO before Shabbos

Upcoming Shul Simchos & Events

Eli Winter Aufruf
Parashas Va'eira
Shabbos, January 13, 2018

Gurfinkel/Winter Wedding
Sunday, January 14, 2018

Boldt/Shadovitz Wedding
Sunday, January 21, 2018

Yissachar Dovid Fenig Aufruf
Parashas Ki Sisa
Shabbos, March 3, 2018

To have your simcha or event listed here please email kolenu@yihp.org

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Mazel Tov to Rabbi Meyer and Shulamith May on the birth of a grandson. Mazel Tov to the proud parents, Rabbi Yoni and Elisheva Schwartz of Lakewood.

Double Mazel Tov to Rabbi and Mrs. Moshe Dear on the births and brisos of two grandsons. Mazel Tov to the proud parents, Mr. and Mrs. Avi Dear and Mr. and Mrs. Michael Dear.

Mazel Tov to Barry and Nancy Yarkoni on the birth of a grandson. Mazel Tov to the proud parents, Avrumie and Sarah Jenkins of Lakewood. The bris will be on Friday at Ohr Meir, 30 5th St., Lakewood. Davening at 7:30 AM, bris at 8:15 AM.

Our heartfelt condolences to **Rabbi Chanan Gordon** on the petirah of his father, Mr. Sol Gordon, Yisrael ben Shmuel, a"h.

Mazel Tov to Larry and Susie Winter on the aufruf and upcoming marriage of their son Eli to Emma Gurfinkel. Mazel Tov to Emma's parents, Marty and Candice Gurfinkel.

Kiddush! Kiddush!

The Winter family invites the entire kehilla to join them for kiddush in honor of Eli's aufruf.

Sponsors for Seudah Shlishis [which will include **Sheva Brachos for Yosef and Kayla (Boldt) Povarsky**] this Shabbos are:

- **Ernie and Suzanne Agatstein** in memory of the yahrzeit of Bluma bas Rav Osher a"h, Ernie's grandmother.
- **Sidney and Marcia Teichman** in memory of the yahrzeit of Reb Shmuel ben Yisochor Dov a"h, Sidney's father.
- **Hymie and Marilyn Barber, Peter and Judy Faber, Mickey and Shelly Fenig, Shalom and Malka Katz, Enoch and Yocheved Kimmelman, Elie and Felice Marciano, Avi and Leah Reichman, Jonathan and Rivka Sack, Billy and Avivia Stohl, and Sidney and Marsha Teichman** in honor of the chosson and kallah.

Breakfast!

The Rosh Chodesh breakfast (Wednesday, after the 2nd minyan) is sponsored by Sidney Teichman and Enoch Kimmelman.

Sour Milk

By Rabbi Mordechai Kamenetzky

This week Hashem tells Moshe to inform the B'nai Yisrael, that the good times will soon come. "I shall rescue you, I shall redeem you with an out stretched hand, I shall bring you to the land which I have promised your fathers, Abraham Isaac and Jacob" (cf. Exodus 6:6-8).

It did not mean much. "The Children of Israel did not listen to Moshe from shortness of breath and hard work" (ibid v.9).

Next Hashem tells Moshe to tell Pharaoh to let the Jews out. Moshe responds with a reply filled with deductive reasoning. "Behold the Children of Israel did not listen, so how will Pharaoh listen?" (ibid v.12).

Our sages explain that this is one of ten instances of "kal v'chomer" in the Torah. It is an example of reasoning used to logically come to halachic conclusions. (E.g. if a weightlifter cannot lift the stone, surely a child cannot!)

The problem is that the reasoning seems flawed. "The Children of Israel did not listen to Moshe from shortness of breath and hard work." Pharaoh did not suffer from either of those shortcomings! If the weightlifter with a broken back can't lift a stone, it plays no role in telling us whether or not a child can.)

So what was Moshe's logical refutation to G-d's command?

23 Teves was the yearzeit of the great Gaon, Rabbi Mordechai Gifter z"l. As a student at the Telshe Yeshiva in Europe he developed a strong relationship with one of that era's foremost scholars, Rav Mordechai Pogromanski z"l. He used to relate on a story Rav Pogromanski would share with his students.

A disheveled man was touring the Louvre with a group of tourists. As they passed Rembrandt's works the man looked at everyone and yelled, "Sour milk!" Puzzled, everyone thought he was crazy. He repeated it again. "It looks like sour milk!"

They moved on and passed the Mona Lisa. Again he screamed, "Sour milk!" This went on a few more times until a wise man looked at the fellow. "Let me see your glasses."

The critical man gave them to him. "What did you have for breakfast?" he asked.

"Why, cereal and milk," he answered.

The wise man laughed. Look at your glasses! They are speckled with milk! No wonder everything you look at appears as sour milk!

Moshe knew that Jews inherently believe. However, the suffering of hard work and the evil treatment of Egyptian masters tainted their faith. But hard work alone does not taint faith. It is only when it is exasperated by the torment of the taskmasters, and their cruel taunts. How much more so, he figured, would Pharaoh be inattentive of the command that Hashem is in charge, and the Jews should be let free. If hard work stains the thought process, blocking the beauty of Hashem's word to filter through, how much more so does the idolatry and heresy of Pharaoh impede them from penetrating!

We look at Hashem's creation. We go to synagogue. We hear mussar. We read the prophets. But somehow it does not get through. The words are beautiful. Those who hear them can be inspired. But so many impediments block our vision and our hearing. Our lifestyles. Our desires. Even our work.

If we'd open our eyes we would see so much holiness! But only if their glasses are not tainted with sour milk.