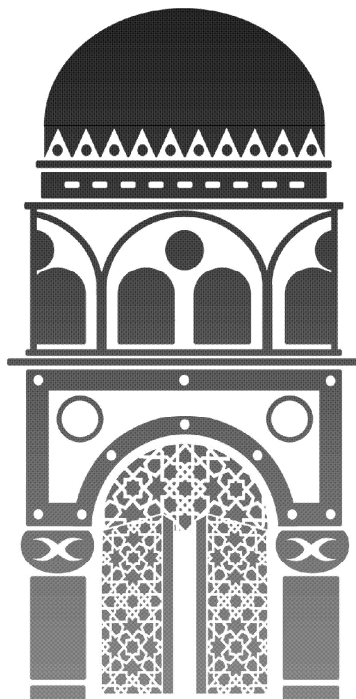


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SHABBAT SHALOM

6-7 January 2017

9 Tevet 5777

# SHABBAT SHALOM AND WELCOME TO WEST LONDON SYNAGOGUE

## FRIDAY

**6.00pm:**      **Erev Shabbat Service**  
Led by Rabbis Neil & Sybil  
Sermon by Rabbi Sybil

**Wardens:**     David Chapman, Michelle Ross, Stewart Sether  
**Beadle:**       Micky Nathanson

## SATURDAY

**10.30am:**    **ShabbaTots Service**  
Led by Avivit & Rabbi Helen

**10.30am:**    **Coffee Morning**

**11.00am:**    **Shabbat Morning Service**  
Led by Rabbis Helen & Neil  
Sermon by Rabbi Neil

**Wardens:**     David Chapman, Michelle Ross, Stewart Sether  
**Beadle:**       Micky Nathanson

**Torah:**        Genesis 45:8-28  
**Haftarah:**    Ezekiel 37: 1-14

*Please join us in the Stern Hall for kiddush after the service.*

The mitzvah of *derech erez-consideration for other people* is really important for us at West London Synagogue, so we would ask you to make sure that your mobile phone is turned off before the service and to leave cameras in your bags. As this is a religious place, we would also ask you to avoid inappropriate clothing or chewing gum during the service. Many thanks for your consideration in following our communal *minhag-traditions*.

*The Rabbis and Wardens*

**Doctor or fully trained first aider?** If you are a doctor or trained first aider please make yourself known to the wardens and beadle.

## PARASHAT VAYIGASH

*Vayigash*, means “and he approached him,” begins with the confrontation between Judah and Joseph, whose identity is still unknown to his brothers. Judah tells Joseph that, if he refuses to allow Benjamin to return to his father, the old man will die. He pleads with Joseph to take him as a slave in place of Benjamin. Joseph hears Judah and then dramatically reveals his identity to his brothers. He instructs them to bring Jacob to Egypt and to settle there in Goshen. Pharaoh also invites Joseph’s family “to live off the fat of the land”. Jacob arrives in Egypt for an emotional reunion with Joseph and is welcomed as well by Pharaoh. the famine continues, and Joseph arranges for people to exchange livestock for food and, then, land for food. Controlling the land for Pharaoh, Joseph distributes seeds for planting with the agreement that the people will give one-fifth to Pharaoh and keep four-fifths for themselves. Meanwhile, Jacob and his family increase in numbers and wealth in the area of Goshen.

## COMMUNITY NEWS

**We wish mazal tov and good wishes to:**

- Hank Keilman on his admission ceremony
- Robert and Carol Michaelson

Interested in conversion?

Please speak to Rabbi Helen or contact her on [helen.freeman@wls.org.uk](mailto:helen.freeman@wls.org.uk)

וְעֵתָהּ לֹא־אַתֶּם שְׁלַחְתֶּם אֹתִי הֲנֵה כִּי הָאֱלֹהִים וַיְשִׁימֵנִי לְאָב לְפָרְעָה  
 וּלְאֲדֹן לְכָל־בֵּיתוֹ וּמִשָּׁל בְּכָל־אֶרֶץ מִצְרָיִם׃ ט מִהֲרוֹ וְעַלּוּ אֶל־אָבִי  
 וְאִמְרֹתֶם אֵלָיו כֹּה אָמַר בְּנֵךְ יוֹסֵף שְׁמֵנִי אֱלֹהִים לְאֲדֹן לְכָל־מִצְרָיִם רְדֵה  
 אֵלַי אֶל־תַּעֲמֹד׃ וַיִּשְׁבַּת בְּאֶרֶץ־גֹּשֶׁן וְהָיִתָּה קְרוֹב אֵלַי אַתָּה וּבְנֵיךָ וּבְנֵי  
 בְנֵיךָ וְצִאֲנֶךָ וּבְקָרְךָ וְכָל־אֲשֶׁר־לְךָ׃ נ וְכִלְכַּלְתִּי אֹתְךָ שֵׁם כִּי־עוֹד חֲמִשׁ  
 שָׁנִים רָעֵב פְּרוֹת־גֵּרֶשׁ אַתָּה וּבֵיתְךָ וְכָל־אֲשֶׁר־לְךָ׃ טז וְהִנֵּה עֵינַיְכֶם רְאוּת  
 וְעֵינַי אֲחִי בְנִימִין כִּי־פִי הִמְדַּבֵּר אֵלֵיכֶם׃ יז וְהִגַּדְתֶּם לְאָבִי אֶת־כָּל־כַּבֹּדִי  
 בְּמִצְרָיִם וְאֵת כָּל־אֲשֶׁר רְאִיתֶם וּמַהֲרֹתֶם וְהוֹרַדְתֶּם אֶת־אָבִי הֲנֵה׃ יח וַיִּפֹּל  
 עַל־צוּאָרֵי בְנִימִן־אֲחִיו וַיִּבֶדְךָ וּבְנֵימִן בָּכָה עַל־צוּאָרָיו׃ טו וַיִּנְשָׁק  
 לְכָל־אֲחָיו וַיִּבֶדְךָ עֲלֵהֶם וְאֲחָרֵי כֵן דִּבְרוּ אִתּוֹ אֲתוֹ׃ יט וְהִקַּל נִשְׁמַע בַּיִת  
 פְּרַעֲהַ לְאֹמֹר בָּאוּ אֲחֵי יוֹסֵף וַיִּיטֹב בְּעֵינַי פְּרַעֲהַ וּבְעֵינַי עַבְדָּיו׃ יא וַיֹּאמֶר  
 פְּרַעֲהַ אֶל־יוֹסֵף אָמַר אֶל־אֲחִיךָ זֹאת עָשׂוּ טַעֲנוּ אֶת־בְּעִירְכֶם וּלְכוּ־בָאוּ  
 אֶרְצָה כְּנַעַן׃ יב וַיִּקְחוּ אֶת־אֲבִיכֶם וְאֶת־בְּתִיכֶם וּבָאוּ אֵלַי וְאֶתְנַה לְכֶם  
 אֶת־טוֹב אֶרֶץ מִצְרָיִם וְאֶכְלוּ אֶת־חֶלֶב הָאֶרֶץ׃ יג וְאֶתָּה צוּיְתָה זֹאת עָשׂוּ  
 קְחוּ־לְכֶם מֵאֶרֶץ מִצְרָיִם עֲגָלוֹת לְטַפְכֶם וְלְנִשְׁיֵיכֶם וּנְשֹׂאתֶם אֶת־אֲבִיכֶם  
 וּבָאתֶם׃ יד וְעֵינֵיכֶם אֶל־תַּחֲסוּ עַל־כְּלֵיכֶם כִּי־טוֹב כָּל־אֶרֶץ מִצְרָיִם לְכֶם  
 הוּא׃ טו וַיַּעֲשׂוּ־כֵן בְּנֵי יִשְׂרָאֵל וַיִּתְּנוּ לָהֶם יוֹסֵף עֲגָלוֹת עַל־פִּי פְרַעֲהַ וַיִּתְּנוּ  
 לָהֶם צִדָּה לְדָרְךָ׃ טז לְכֵלְכֵם נָתַן לְאִישׁ חֲלָפוֹת שְׁמֹלֹת וּלְבְנֵימִן נָתַן שְׁלֹשׁ  
 מֵאוֹת כֶּסֶף וְחֲמִשׁ חֲלָפֹת שְׁמֹלֹת׃ יז וְלְאָבִיו שְׁלַח כְּזֹאת עֲשֶׂה חַמְרִים  
 נְשֹׂאִים מִטוֹב מִצְרָיִם וְעֶשֶׂר אֶתְנֹת נְשֹׂאת בָּר וְלַחֲסוּ וּמִזֹּון לְאָבִיו לְדָרְךָ׃  
 יח וַיִּשְׁלַח אֶת־אֲחָיו וַיִּלְכוּ וַיֹּאמֶר אֲלֵהֶם אֶל־תִּרְגְּזוּ בַדָּרְךָ׃ יט וַיַּעֲלוּ  
 מִמִּצְרָיִם וַיָּבֹאוּ אֶרֶץ כְּנַעַן אֶל־יַעֲקֹב אֲבִיהֶם׃ כ וַיִּגְדּוּ לוֹ לְאֹמֹר עוֹד יוֹסֵף  
 חַי וְכִי־הוּא מִשָּׁל בְּכָל־אֶרֶץ מִצְרָיִם וַיִּפַּג לְבֹו כִּי לֹא־הָאֱמִין לָהֶם׃  
 כא וַיִּדְבְּרוּ אֵלָיו אֶת כָּל־דִּבְרֵי יוֹסֵף אֲשֶׁר דִּבֶּר אֲלֵהֶם וַיִּרְא אֶת־הַעֲגָלוֹת  
 אֲשֶׁר־שָׁלַח יוֹסֵף לְשֹׂאת אֹתוֹ וַתְּחִי רוּחַ יַעֲקֹב אֲבִיהֶם׃ כב וַיֹּאמֶר יִשְׂרָאֵל  
 רַב עוֹד־יוֹסֵף בְּנֵי חַי אֵלְכֶה וְאֶרְאֶנוּ בְּטָרִם אָמוֹת׃

## GENESIS 45:8-28

<sup>8</sup>So now it was not you who sent me here, but God; and He has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house, and a ruler throughout all the land of Egypt. <sup>9</sup>“Hurry and go up to my father, and say to him, ‘Thus says your son Joseph: “God has made me lord of all Egypt; come down to me, do not tarry. <sup>10</sup>You shall dwell in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near to me, you and your children, your children’s children, your flocks and your herds, and all that you have. <sup>11</sup>There I will provide for you, lest you and your household, and all that you have, come to poverty; for there are still five years of famine.”’ <sup>12</sup>“And behold, your eyes and the eyes of my brother Benjamin see that it is my mouth that speaks to you. <sup>13</sup>So you shall tell my father of all my glory in Egypt, and of all that you have seen; and you shall hurry and bring my father down here.” <sup>14</sup>Then he fell on his brother Benjamin’s neck and wept, and Benjamin wept on his neck. <sup>15</sup>Moreover he kissed all his brothers and wept over them, and after that his brothers talked with him. <sup>16</sup>Now the report of it was heard in Pharaoh’s house, saying, “Joseph’s brothers have come.” So it pleased Pharaoh and his servants well. <sup>17</sup>And Pharaoh said to Joseph, “Say to your brothers, ‘Do this: Load your animals and depart; go to the land of Canaan. <sup>18</sup>Bring your father and your households and come to me; I will give you the best of the land of Egypt, and you will eat the fat of the land. <sup>19</sup>Now you are commanded—do this: Take carts out of the land of Egypt for your little ones and your wives; bring your father and come. <sup>20</sup>Also do not be concerned about your goods, for the best of all the land of Egypt is yours.”’ <sup>21</sup>Then the sons of Israel did so; and Joseph gave them carts, according to the command of Pharaoh, and he gave them provisions for the journey. <sup>22</sup>He gave to all of them, to each man, changes of garments; but to Benjamin he gave three hundred pieces of silver and five changes of garments. <sup>23</sup>And he sent to his father these things: ten donkeys loaded with the good things of Egypt, and ten female donkeys loaded with grain, bread, and food for his father for the journey. <sup>24</sup>So he sent his brothers away, and they departed; and he said to them, “See that you do not become troubled along the way.” <sup>25</sup>Then they went up out of Egypt, and came to the land of Canaan to Jacob their father. <sup>26</sup>And they told him, saying, “Joseph is still alive, and he is governor over all the land of Egypt.” And Jacob’s heart stood still, because he did not believe them. <sup>27</sup>But when they told him all the words which Joseph had said to them, and when he saw the carts which Joseph had sent to carry him, the spirit of Jacob their father revived. <sup>28</sup>Then Israel said, “It is enough. Joseph my son is still alive. I will go and see him before I die.”

## EZEKIEL 37:1-14

The hand of the Eternal One came upon me. God took me out by the spirit of the Eternal One and set me down in the valley. It was full of bones. He led me all around them; there were very many of them spread over the valley, and they were very dry. He said to me, "O mortal, can these bones live again?" I replied, "O Ruler, only You know." And the Eternal One said to me, "Prophesy over these bones and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of God! Thus said Adonai to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you and you shall live again. I will lay sinews upon you, and cover you with flesh, and form skin over you. And I will put breath into you, and you shall live again. And you shall know that I am Adonai!" I prophesied as I had been commanded. And while I was prophesying, suddenly there was a sound of rattling, and the bones came together, bone to matching bone. I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had grown, and skin had formed over them; but there was no breath in them. Then God said to me, "Prophesy to the breath, prophesy, O mortal! Say to the breath: Thus said the Eternal One: Come, O breath, from the four winds, and breathe into these slain, that they may live again." I prophesied as Adonai commanded me. The breath entered them, and they came to life and stood up on their feet, a vast multitude. And God said to me, "O mortal, these bones are the whole House of Israel. They say, 'Our bones are dried up, our hope is gone; we are doomed.' Prophesy, therefore, and say to them: Thus said the Eternal One: I am going to open your graves and lift you out of the graves, O My people, and bring you to the land of Israel. You shall know, O My people, that I am God, when I have opened your graves and lifted you out of your graves. I will put My breath into you and you shall live again, and I will set you upon your own soil. Then you shall know that I the Eternal One have spoken and have acted" - declares Adonai.

## SAVE THE DATE

### **Thursday 12 January**

#### **7.00pm: Kolnoa-Cinema - Hunting Elephants**

Drinks at 7pm, screening starts 7.45pm

In Jerusalem, a bullied teen befriends his grandfather and a long lost uncle, and soon they decide to solve their financial problems by...robbing a bank. This isn't the first film about old men who rob a bank, nor the second. But Reshef Levi comes by the theme honestly - his own father is said to have been a bank robber for the Hagana in pre-Israeli Independence days. Like his previous movie *Lost Islands*, which was a great success, this one involves a largish web of characters and relationships, all very interesting and engaging. The movie style owes something to the 'bourekas movies' of the 1970s – comedies with Mediterranean spice – and it gained seven award nominations. It features a host of top Israeli stars of stage and screen in bit parts, all having fun, plus Patrick Stewart in perhaps not a performance of his usual Shakespearian bravura, but highly entertaining nonetheless...a film to make you laugh until you cry.

### **Thursday 19 January**

#### **12.30pm: Seymour Group Lunch**

Guest speaker: Jane Greenfield – 'On Being a Jewish Farmer's Daughter'

To book: Call Hermy Jankel on 020 7722 8489, if she is unavailable please leave a clear message.

Early bookings will be appreciated, to facilitate catering arrangements. Please advise Hermy by 10.00am on the Friday before the lunch. Cancellations can only be accepted by that time, or you will be charged. Parking Problem? We aim to finish our meetings by 2.30pm

### **Tuesday 24 January**

#### **7.15pm: Jerusalem Ablaze: Stories of Love & Other Obsessions**

*Orlando Ortega-Medina in conversation with Rabbi David Mitchell*

Join us for what promises to be an exciting event celebrating Orlando Ortega-Medina's debut collection *Jerusalem Ablaze: Stories of Love & Other Obsessions*, exclusively, two days prior to its UK release. Please click [here](#) for more information. There is no charge for this event, but a minimum donation of £5 toward costs is encouraged. To book, please visit email [eretz@wls.org.uk](mailto:eretz@wls.org.uk) or call William Campos-Ortega at 07902 021 227. <http://www.wls.org.uk/event/insight-israel-jerusalem-ablaze/>

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## NEXT SHABBAT

<b>13 Jan</b>	<b>Friday</b> Erev Shabbat Combo Service	<b>6.00pm</b>
<b>14 Jan</b>	<b>Saturday</b> Shirah Rinah Coffee Morning Shabbatots Cafe Shabbat Morning Service	<b>10.00am</b> <b>10.30am</b> <b>10.30am</b> <b>11.00am</b>

## NEXT SHABBAT

<b>8 Jan</b>	Religion School Sunday Workout	<b>10.00am</b> <b>10.00am</b>
<b>9 Jan</b>	Parashat Hashavuah	<b>12.30pm</b>
<b>11 Jan</b>	JPrep Lyons Learning Project	<b>6.30pm</b> <b>7.00pm</b>
<b>12 Jan</b>	Kolnoa-Cinema	<b>7.00pm</b>

## REGULAR MONTHLY ACTIVITIES

<b>1<sup>st</sup> &amp; 3<sup>rd</sup> Fri</b>	Shabbat Shira	<b>7.15pm</b>
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> &amp; 4<sup>th</sup> Fri</b>	ShabbaTots Cafe	<b>10.30am</b>
<b>1<sup>st</sup> &amp; 3<sup>rd</sup> Sat</b>	ShabbaTots Service	<b>10.30am</b>
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Sat</b>	The Library Hour	<b>1.00pm</b>
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Tue</b>	Young Adults Torah on Tap	<b>7.30pm</b>
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Thu</b>	Kishkushim	<b>7.30pm</b>
<b>2<sup>rd</sup> Thu</b>	Kolnoa-Cinema	<b>7.00pm</b>
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Thu</b>	Seymour Group Kishkushim	<b>12.30pm</b> <b>7.30pm</b>
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Sunday</b>	Contact the Elderly Tea Parties	<b>3.00pm</b>

## REGULAR WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

<b>Sun:</b>	Religion School Sunday Workout - Adult Education Programme WLS Youth Clubs	<b>10.00am</b> <b>10.00am</b> <b>1.00pm</b>
<b>Tue:</b>	Berkeley Lunch Club	<b>10.00am</b>
<b>Wed:</b>	Jewish Preparation Classes Adult Ed	<b>6.30pm</b> <b>8.30pm</b>