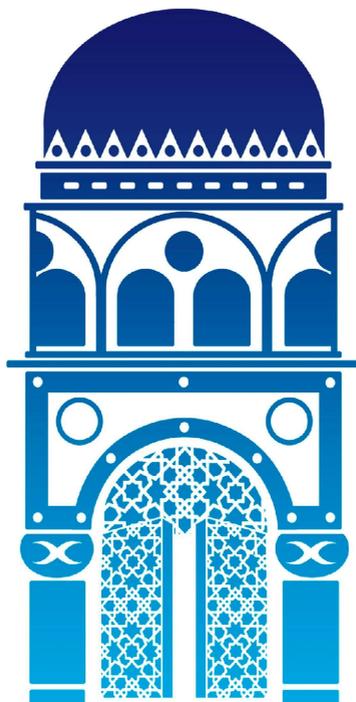


# WEST LONDON SYNAGOGUE

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SHABBAT SHALOM

5/6 April 2019

1 Nisan 5779

# SHABBAT SHALOM AND WELCOME TO WEST LONDON SYNAGOGUE

## FRIDAY

**6.00pm:**

**Erev Shabbat Service**

Led by Rabbi Neil and Rabbi Sybil  
Sermon by Rabbi Sybil

**Wardens:**

David Chapman, Vivien Feather and Liliane Chan

**Beadle:**

William Campos-Ortega

## SATURDAY

**10.30am:**

**Coffee Morning**

**11.00am:**

**Shabbat Morning COMBO Service**

Led by Rabbi Helen and Rabbi David  
Sermon by Rabbi David

**Wardens:**

David Chapman, Vivien Feather and Liliane Chan

**Beadle:**

William Campos-Ortega

**Torah:**

Leviticus 12:1-8 and Exodus 12:1-11

**Haftarah:**

II Kings 23:21-27

*Please join us for Shabbat kiddush after the service.*

### **Doctor or fully trained first aider?**

If you are a doctor, trained first aider or fully trained mental health first aider please make yourself known to the wardens and beadle.

## PARASHAT TAZRIA/HA-CHODESH

*Parashat Tazria* presents the rituals of purification for a woman after child-birth and the methods for diagnosing and treating a variety of skin diseases.

## COMMUNITY NEWS

We wish a warm Mazel Tov to:

- Morris and Susan Bentata on their wedding anniversary.

## LEVITICUS 12:1-8

וַיְדַבֵּר יְיָ אֶל־מֹשֶׁה לֵאמֹר: <sup>ב</sup> דַּבֵּר אֶל־בְּנֵי יִשְׂרָאֵל לֵאמֹר אִשָּׁה כִּי תִזְרַע וַיִּלְדָה זָכָר וְטָמְאָה שְׁבַע יָמִים כִּי־יָמִי נִדְתָה דֹתָהּ תִטְמָא: <sup>ג</sup> וּבַיּוֹם הַשְּׁמִינִי יָמוּל בְּשָׂר עַרְלָתוֹ: <sup>ד</sup> וּשְׁלֹשִׁים יוֹם וּשְׁלֹשֶׁת יָמִים תֵּשֵׁב בְּדַמֵּי טַהֲרָה בְּכֹל־קֹדֶשׁ לֹא־תִגַּע וְאֶל־הַמִּקְדָּשׁ לֹא תָבֹא עַד־מִלֵּאת יָמֵי טַהֲרָה: <sup>ה</sup> וְאִם־יִקְבֶּה תֵלֵד וְטָמְאָה שִׁבְעִים כְּנִדְתָהּ וְשָׁשִׁים יוֹם וְשָׁשֶׁת יָמִים תֵּשֵׁב עַל־דַּמֵּי טַהֲרָה: <sup>ו</sup> וּבְמִלֵּאת יָמֵי טַהֲרָה לְבֹן אִו לְבַת תִּבְיָא כָּבֵשׁ בֶּן־שָׁנָתוֹ לְעֹלָה וּבְרִיוֹנָה אִו־תֹּר לְחֻטָּאת אֶל־פֶּתַח אֹהֶל־מוֹעֵד אֶל־הַכְּהֵן: <sup>ז</sup> וְהִקְרִיבֻּ לִפְנֵי יְיָ וְכִפֹּר עָלֶיהָ וְטַהֲרָה מִמָּקוֹר דָּמֶיהָ זֹאת תֹּוֹרַת הַיִּלְדוֹת לְזָכָר אִו לְנִקְבָה: <sup>ח</sup> וְאִם־לֹא תִמְצָא יָדָהּ דֵּי שָׂה וְלִקְחָה שְׁתֵּי־תֹרִים אִו שְׁנֵי בְנֵי יוֹנָה אֶחָד לְעֹלָה וְאֶחָד לְחֻטָּאת וְכִפֹּר עָלֶיהָ כַּכֵּן וְטַהֲרָה:

## EXODUS 12:1-11

וַיֹּאמֶר יְיָ אֶל־מֹשֶׁה וְאֶל־אַהֲרֹן בְּאֶרֶץ מִצְרַיִם לֵאמֹר: <sup>א</sup> הַחֲדָשׁ הַזֶּה לָכֶם רֹאשׁ חֲדָשִׁים וְרֵאשׁוֹן הוּא לָכֶם לְחֲדָשֵׁי הַשָּׁנָה: <sup>ב</sup> דַּבְּרוּ אֶל־כָּל־עַדְתַּת יִשְׂרָאֵל לֵאמֹר בַּעֲשׂוֹר לְחֲדָשׁ הַזֶּה וַיִּקְחוּ לָהֶם אִישׁ שֶׁה לְבֵית־אָבִת שָׂה לְבֵית: <sup>ג</sup> וְאִם־יִמְעַט הַבַּיִת מִהַיּוֹת מִשֶּׁה וְלָקַח הוּא וּשְׁכֵנוֹ הַקָּרֹב אֶל־בֵּיתוֹ בְּמִכְסֵת נִפְשֹׁת אִישׁ לִפְנֵי אֹכְלוֹ תִכְסּוּ עַל־הַשָּׂה: <sup>ד</sup> הַשָּׂה תִמַּיִם זָכָר בֶּן־שָׁנָה יִהְיֶה לָכֶם מִן־הַכֹּבָשִׁים וּמִן־הָעִזִּים תִּקְחוּ: <sup>ה</sup> וְהָיָה לָכֶם לְמִשְׁמֶרֶת עַד אַרְבָּעָה עָשָׂר יוֹם לְחֲדָשׁ הַזֶּה וְשַׁחֲטוּ אֹתוֹ כָּל קָהָל עַדְת־יִשְׂרָאֵל בֵּין הָעֲרָבִים: <sup>ו</sup> וְלָקְחוּ מִן־הַדָּם וְנָתְנוּ עַל־שְׁתֵּי הַמְּזִזֹת וְעַל־הַמִּשְׁקוֹף עַל הַבַּתִּים אֲשֶׁר־יֹאכְלוּ אֹתוֹ בָּהֶם: <sup>ז</sup> וְאֹכְלוּ אֶת־הַבָּשָׂר בַּלִּילָה הַזֶּה צְלִי־אֵשׁ וּמִצּוֹת עַל־מִרְרִים יֹאכְלֶהוּ: <sup>ח</sup> אֶל־תֹּאכְלוּ מִמֶּנּוּ זָא וּבָשָׂל מִבָּשָׂל בְּמַיִם כִּי אִם־צְלִי־אֵשׁ רֵאשׁוֹ עַל־כַּרְעָיו וְעַל־קַרְבּוֹ: <sup>ט</sup> וְלֹא־תוֹתִירוּ מִמֶּנּוּ עַד־בֹּקֶר וְהִנְתֵּר מִמֶּנּוּ עַד־בֹּקֶר בָּאֵשׁ תִּשְׂרְפוּ: <sup>י</sup> וְזָכְרָה תֹאכְלוּ אֹתוֹ מִתְּנִיכֶם חֲגָרִים נְעִלְכֶם בְּרַגְלֵיכֶם וּמְקַלְכֶם בְּיַדְכֶם וְאֹכַלְתֶּם אֹתוֹ בַּחֲפוּזִין פֶּסַח הוּא לֵי:

## LEVITICUS 12:1-8

<sup>1</sup>The Eternal One said to Moses, <sup>2</sup>Say to the Israelites: 'A woman who becomes pregnant and gives birth to a son will be ceremonially unclean for seven days, just as she is unclean during her monthly period. <sup>3</sup>On the eighth day the boy is to be circumcised <sup>4</sup>Then the woman must wait thirty-three days to be purified from her bleeding. She must not touch anything sacred or go to the sanctuary until the days of her purification are over. <sup>5</sup>If she gives birth to a daughter, for two weeks the woman will be unclean, as during her period. Then she must wait sixty-six days to be purified from her bleeding. <sup>6</sup>When the days of her purification for a son or daughter are over, she is to bring to the priest at the entrance to the tent of meeting a year-old lamb for a burnt offering and a young pigeon or a dove for a sin offering. <sup>7</sup>He shall offer them before the Eternal One to make atonement for her, and then she will be ceremonially clean from her flow of blood.' <sup>8</sup>These are the regulations for the woman who gives birth to a boy or a girl. <sup>8</sup>But if she cannot afford a lamb, she is to bring two doves or two young pigeons, one for a burnt offering and the other for a sin offering. In this way the priest will make atonement for her, and she will be clean. "

## EXODUS 12:1-11

<sup>1</sup>Adonai said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt: <sup>2</sup>This month shall mark for you the beginning of the months; it shall be the first of the months of the year for you. <sup>3</sup>Speak to the whole community of Israel and say that on the tenth of this month each of them shall take a lamb to a family, a lamb to a household. <sup>4</sup>But if the household is too small for a lamb, let him share one with a neighbour who dwells nearby, in proportion to the number of persons: you shall contribute for the lamb according to what each household will eat. <sup>5</sup>Your lamb shall be without blemish, a yearling male; you may take it from the sheep or from the goats. <sup>6</sup>You shall keep watch over it until the fourteenth day of this month; and all the assembled congregation of the Israelites shall slaughter it at twilight. <sup>7</sup>They shall take some of the blood and put it on the two doorposts and the lintel of the houses in which they are to eat it. <sup>8</sup>They shall eat the flesh that same night; they shall eat it roasted over the fire, with unleavened bread and with bitter herbs. <sup>9</sup>Do not eat any of it raw, or cooked in any way with water, but roasted - head, legs, and entrails - over the fire. <sup>10</sup>You shall not leave any of it over until morning; if any of it is left until morning, you shall burn it. <sup>11</sup>This is how you shall eat it, your loins girded your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and you shall eat it hurriedly; it is a Passover offering to the Eternal.

## II KINGS 23:21-27

And the king commanded all the people, saying, "Offers the Passover sacrifice to Adonai your God, as it is written in the book of this covenant." Surely there was not offered such a Passover sacrifice from the days of the judges that judged Israel, nor in all the days of the kings of Israel, nor of the kings of Judah; But in the eighteenth year of King Josiah, when this Passover sacrifice was offered to Adonai in Jerusalem. Moreover the mediums, and the wizards, and the images, and the idols, and all the abominations that were seen in the land of Judah and in Jerusalem, did Josiah put away, that he might perform the words of the Torah which were written in the book that Hilkiyah the priest found in the house of Adonai. And like him was there no king before him, that turned to Adonai with all his heart, and with all his soul, and with all his might, according to all the Torah of Moses; neither after him arose there any like him. However Adonai turned not from the fierceness of God's great wrath, with which God's anger was kindled against Judah, because of all the provocations that Manasseh had provoked God with. And Adonai said, I will remove Judah also from My sight, as I have removed Israel, and will cast off this city Jerusalem which I have chosen, and the house of which I said, My name shall be there.

## RABBI JULIA'S THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

10 days ago, I was in China, amongst other things speaking at Kehillat Shanghai, with 2 of our members there- they live there- and a great attendance at a service, dinner and two talks, both by me, on antisemitism in Europe, and on Purim. It was a very short trip, though much enjoyed. But what is so significant, as I took the Jewish tour of Shanghai, is that Jewish life there was booming until the revolution in 1949. Around 20,000 refugees arrived in Shanghai, up till 1940, through the great efforts of the Japanese consul in Kovno, Chiune Sugihara, and the Chinese consult in Vienna, Feng Shan Ho. Both gave laissez-passer notes to enable desperate Jews to leave and seek a new home. They arrived in Shanghai by boat or off the Trans Siberian railway, down from Harbin. They slept in rough shelters and were fed from soup kitchens, but they survived. Had it not been for the revolution, more would be there now. As it is, it is a community of about 5000 overall in China, but with a long and proud history. If you haven't visited, you should go. For what you learn, amongst other things, is that the Chinese and Japanese know no antisemitism. When the Germans asked the Japanese (who controlled Shanghai during the war and were German allies) to destroy the Jews, they merely asked them to live in one area of town. Jews are respected for what we might think are stereotypes- good at money, very clever, and good gamblers! But no harm is meant by that, or when we are called big noes. To see a place where antisemitism is both unknown and not understood, a trip to Shanghai is a must. But the stories of the two consults are the ones we should not forget- and doing the Jewish tour of Shanghai, you can really discover their history. It's a triumph of good will and generosity over bureaucracy and unwillingness to do the right thing.

# SAVE THE DATE

## Thursday 11 April

### **Kolnoa-Cinema: Laavor Et Hakir/The Wedding Plan**

Doors open 7pm for drinks and snacks, 7.45pm screening, and admission is free, but donations towards catering are very welcome.

This beautifully paced romantic comedy by that rare thing, an Orthodox woman film director, is destined to become a Kolnoa classic. After her fiancé calls off their wedding only a month before the ceremony, an Orthodox woman decides to keep the reservation, and trusts that God will provide her within that month with a suitable replacement husband. A zany, unconventional and utterly charming film that gives an insight into dating and romance in the Chassidic community. A long awaited return by Burshtein, with a multi award winner.

## Friday 12 April - booking deadline Tuesday 9 April

### **7.15pm: Friday Night Dinner with Karen Armstrong, OBE**

Karen Armstrong, OBE is a leading author and commentator. A former Roman Catholic religious sister, Karen's work focuses on the commonalities of the major religions such as the importance of compassion and the Golden Rule – the principle of treating others as oneself would wish to be treated.

The cost is £29.50 per adult member and £35 per adult non-member, includes a catered 3 course meal. Bookings: Kathryn Forro on 020 7535 0259. Please note that places cannot be guaranteed without payment and that we are unable to offer refunds up to one week prior to a dinner.

## Sunday 28 April

### **7.00pm: Classic Gershwin - Doors open at 6.15pm**

In our very first partnership with the stylish much acclaimed 7Star Arts, we present the moving story of the life and music of composer George Gershwin, brought to life in this multi genre production featuring narration, live music and visual projections.

ALL WARMLY WELCOME – a real Sunday evening Spring treat for you, your friends and family.

Classic Gershwin weaves the vibrant music of the ever popular composer, with his fascinating life story from birth in the colourful, teeming New York of 1898, to his tragically early death in 1937.

Prize-winning pianist and famed Gershwin interpreter Viv McLean, joins RSC, National Theatre and TV actress Susan Porrett as narrator, in an intriguing, eclectic mix of Gershwin's music – from the much loved Rhapsody in Blue, I got Rhythm Variations, and Swanee, to the rarely played Classical Preludes.

Online discount: All tickets £20 at [ticketsource.co.uk/eretz](http://ticketsource.co.uk/eretz)

Tickets are £25 on the door on the night.