

Shabbos Times

Friday, December 5

Candle Lighting: 4:16

Mincha/Maariv: 4:20

Shabbos, December 6

Parsha Shiur: 8:30

Shacharis: 9:00

Latest Shema: 9:34

Iyun Shiur: 3:40

Mincha/ Shalosh Seudos: 4:10

Shekiah: 4:34

Maariv/Nightfall: 5:16

Weekday Times

Shacharis

Daf Yomi: 8:00

Sunday: 8:30

Kollel Boker: Monday and

Thursday: 6:15

Monday and Thursday: 6:40

Kollel Boker: Tuesday,

Wednesday and Friday: 6:20

Tuesday, Wednesday and

Friday: 6:45

Mincha

Sunday - Friday: 4:20

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4:16

Kiddush & Shalosh Seudos

New Membership Kiddish is sponsored by:

Patrons: Michael and Sherry Bohm, Rabbi and Mrs. Federgrun, Steve and Michele Galen, and Jay and Laya Press.

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Shalosh Seudos is sponsored by Akiva and Leah Homnick in memory of Leah's father, רב ישראל בן רב יצחק, whose 5th yahrzeit is on Tuesday, י"ט כסלו.

Mazel Tov:

Mazel Tov to Sandy and Haviv David upon the birth of a grandson to Sandy's son David and Eliana Redlich!

Condolences:

Condolences to Lauren Marcus upon the loss of her mother, Alisa Shain a"n.

Funeral for Alisa Shain: Friday, Dec. 5 at 11:30 am at Goldstein's Funeral Home (Southampton), 310 2nd Street Pike. Burial to follow at Shalom Memorial Park, 25 Byberry Rd, Huntingdon Valley.

Shiva at the Shain home 252 Sycamore Circle Upper Holland (The Ridings)

- Sat 12/6: 5:30–8pm
- Sun 12/7: 4–7pm
- Mon 12/8: 4–7pm

Additional shiva at the Marcus home 1837 Solly Ave, Philadelphia

- Tue 12/9: 2:30–9pm
- Wed 12/10: 10am–1pm & 3–7pm
- Thu 12/11: 9–10am



Upcoming Programs

December 7: Breakfast and Learn-
From Bavel to Brachos; Tefillah in Galus Bavel

December 11: Whiskey & Wisdom

December 13: Nshei Chanukah Event

December 21: Shul's Chanukah Party

Thank you to Vadim and Vera Zubarev for sponsoring the December 7th Breakfast and Learn!

KIDS KORNER

KIDS' KABOLOS SHABBOS

All kids old enough to sit with their parents are invited to join us for kabolos shabbos and will receive a prize!

YOUTH GROUPS

Back on! Beginning @ 9:30 with Shevi Burr.

We encourage our boys to participate and lead the end of davening!

BI POINTS

Given out all Shabbos to all participating kids. Accumulate and earn great prizes!

A Few Notes:

We started saying ותן טל ומטר לברכה in davening on Thursday night.

The family and friends of Bruce Friedman are gathering for the unveiling of his matzaivah this Sunday December 7, 2025 11:00 am Har Jehuda Cemetery 8400 Lansdowne Avenue Upper Darby, PA. RSVP Jonathan 732 319 7129

Our BIOZ Raffle has officially launched! Please help spread the word and consider purchasing tickets to support the shul.

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M'SHULCHAN HAPARSHA - FRESH TORAH FOR YOUR SHABBOS TABLE

This Week, That Thought

A few weeks ago, a video circulated of Rav Hershel Schachter shlita, expressing regret after discovering that his name was added to a clemency request for Mr. Weberman, a convicted child abuser, under false pretenses. Upon learning the truth, he immediately contacted the lawyer the next day to have his name removed, affirming that the abuser should serve his full sentence. In his video statement, Rav Schachter asked that his name be withdrawn, apologized to those hurt by the incident, and clarified that there is no concern of mesirah when an abuser poses a danger to society and the legal system has its own structure of justice.

While this brief column cannot fully address the complexities of reporting, it does highlight several core principles necessary to build a community of safety and integrity:

- Abuse can exist in every community. Leadership must send an unmistakable message that protecting children is non-negotiable.
- When the fear of Chilul Hashem suppresses reporting, we create space for abusers to operate.
- Real change requires real consequences. Only authorities with legal power can stop abusers.

Our children deserve nothing less than vigilance, courage, and a willingness to confront harm even when it is uncomfortable.



Between the Lines

There is a well-known dispute among the Rishonim regarding the prohibition of mesirah, handing over even a guilty Jew to secular authorities. The Meiri maintains that mesirah is inherently disgraceful and constitutes a Chilul Hashem, as we are meant to submit only to Torah law. By contrast, the Rashba and others view the prohibition as practical rather than absolute: secular courts may impose unjust punishments or lack legal safeguards, leaving the accused vulnerable to arbitrary treatment.

This distinction generates significant halachic implications. For example: May one report a moser to the authorities? What about turning someone in under a legal system that is structured, fair, and predictable? According to the Meiri, the act remains prohibited regardless as it is still a Chilul Hashem. The Rashba, however, would seemingly permit it where justice can be expected.

Pray for the welfare of the government, for without its authority, society would descend into chaos and each person would consume the other alive.

- Rabbi Chanina Sgan HaKohanim

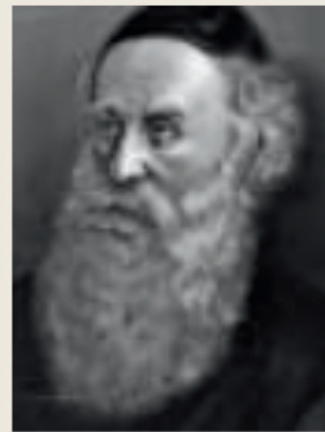
The Ramban in this week's parsha asks: how could an entire city be punished for the crimes of a few? The Ramban answers that the people of Shechem failed to establish courts to enforce the other six Noachide laws. The Ramban, however, argues that the obligation is broader and is to create a just and moral system of governance. It could be that it is this type of law system that would allow one to report an accuser to such a government. The Rama has two opinions within this Ramban if this law system must resemble Torah law or whether it suffices that it be fair, ethical, and well-ordered on its own terms.

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Pages of the Past

This Tuesday, the 19th of Kislev, is a celebrated date in Chabad Chassidus. It marks the yahrtzeit of the Maggid of Mezritch, foremost disciple of the Baal Shem Tov, and the day the Alter Rebbe, the first Lubavitcher Rebbe, was miraculously released from imprisonment. At that time, tensions between Misnagdim and Chassidim ran high, and tragically, one of the methods employed in their conflict was reporting opposing leaders to secular authorities and allowing the government to intervene. The Alter Rebbe's arrest was heralded by Misnagdim as a triumph, while his liberation was viewed by Chassidim as a vindication of their path.

Sadly, such tactics are not unique to that era. In an earlier controversy, opponents of the Rambam informed Christian authorities that his writings contained ideas contrary to Church doctrine, ultimately leading to the public burning of his sefarim.



For the Table

- What does a community need in order for children not just to be protected, but to feel confident, supported, and unafraid to speak up?
- By what actions, not only words, does a community demonstrate that abuse is intolerable and that safety, dignity, and justice are non-negotiable?