



Shabbos Bulletin

Welcome to Nusach Hari B'nai Zion

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June 15, 2019 ~ 12 Sivan 5779

Candle Lighting 8:08 pm

Shabbat Ends 9:12 pm

Torah Portion:

Naso Numbers 4:21 - 7: 89

Chumash pages 748-773

Haftorah:

Haftorah: Judges 13:2-25

Chumash pages 1181-1182

Our Sponsors:

Thank you to **Sam & Shirley Bluestein** for sponsoring the Kiddush Luncheon in celebration of **Sam's 90th birthday** and the birthdays of **Dr. Bruce Barron** and **Rob Romanoff** as well as the 40th anniversary of **Dr. Bruce and Diane Barron** and the 25th anniversary of **Rob and Randee Romanoff**.

Mazel Tov to Noah Belau, who became a Bar- Mitzvah on Thursday!

Thank you to **Nancy Belau-Rush and Jason Rush** for sponsoring the bulletin and soda in celebration of Noah's achievement.

Erev Shabbos June 14

- Mincha & Ma'ariv ~ 7:00 pm

Shabbos, June 14

- Shabbat Services ~ 9:00 am

- Pesukei D'Zimra: **Howard Sandler**
- Shacharis: **Rob Romanoff**
- Leyning: **Moshe Leib Cohen**

- Haftorah: **Alan Haber**
- Drasha: **Rabbi Ze'ev Smason**
- Musaf: **Menachem Szus**

- Learners' Service ~ Led by **Rabbi Yosef David** ~ 9:30 am
- Tot Shabbat ~ 10:00 am
- Starting Points ~ Led by **Rabbi Ze'ev Smason** ~10:15 am ~ Topic: "Is Life Fair?"
- Mincha / Ma'ariv / Shalosh Seudos ~ 7:55 pm

This Week and Beyond

	Shabbos June 15	Sun. June 16	Mon. June 17	Tues. June 18	Wed. June 19	Thurs. June 20	Fri. June 21	Shabbos June 22
Minyan Times								
Shachris	9:00 am	8:00 am	7:00 am	7:00 am	7:00 am	7:00 am	7:00 am	9:00 am
Mincha/Ma'ariv	7:55 pm	7:00 pm	7:00 pm	7:00 pm	7:00 pm	7:00 pm	7:00 pm	7:55 pm

Morning Blessings and the first Kaddish are started five minutes prior to Shachris.

Happy Birthday to- Richard Woolf, Yitzchak Rubin, Barry Solomon, Amy Feit, Sam Bluestein, Joni Kaiser, Natalia Wallman, Roberta Tolpen, Teree Farbstein, Alan Morgensztern and Esther Gelb

Happy Anniversary - none

Shabbat Greeters: Stuart Klamen and Dr. Linda Lowenstein

- **Monday, June 17 ~ NHBZ Sefer Torah Campaign Kick-Off** ~ See flyer for details.
- **Shabbos, June 29 ~ Honoring retiring Olivette Police Chief, Richard Knox and incoming Chief of Police, Dave Wolf**
- **Sunday, June 30 ~ 5:00- 7:00 pm ~ BBQ NIGHT AT NHBZ** We are changing up Pizza Night this month and having a BBQ with hamburgers, hot dogs and sides! We still need volunteers!
- **Monday July 8 ~ 6:30 pm ~ NHBZ Sisterhood Movie Night** at the Mansions on Delmar. Cost is \$10. Arrival 6:30 - movie starts promptly at 7. See the flyer for details.
- **Shabbos, July 27 ~ Synaplex Shabbat**

Parshas Naso

Among the topics appearing in Naso is the mitzvah of the 'Sotah'. When compelling circumstantial evidence suggests an act of marital infidelity may have taken place, the Torah provides a means to clarify the hoped-for innocence of the suspect parties. Contained in this mitzvah is dissolving G-d's name that was written on a parchment. We learn from this the supreme importance of shalom bayis -- peace in the home. If G-d allows His Holy Name to be erased for the sake of peace between husband and wife, certainly each of us should seek shalom bayis with our spouses and other family members. What can each of us do to increase shalom bayis with those whom we love? Parshas Naso also describes the nazir -- an individual who takes a vow to refrain from drinking wine, cutting his hair, and other restrictions. Remember the story of Samson? Samson -- who was a nazir -- was the great Jewish judge and hero who 'brought down the house.'

Cash Cards

Orders are now being taken through the 15th of the month. Use the card for all your shopping needs. The order form is attached to this week's bulletin. You probably will be shopping at Amazon, Dierbergs, CVS, or Walgreens this month, so why not benefit NHBZ as you shop?

Adult Learning at NHBZ

Every Wednesday 12:15 pm ~ Study with Rabbi Smason- Study Pirkei Avos / Ethics of the Fathers.

Every Shabbos ~ Starting Points: "Wisdom for Daily Living" with Rabbi Ze'ev Smason ~ A program tailor-made for those, regardless of prior educational or observance level, interested in growing Jewishly. Each freestanding session (at 10:15 am every Shabbos, unless otherwise noted) explores a distinct Jewish concept in practical, understandable terms.

Join us to learn, explore, and raise your Jewish soul with the following eye-opening sessions:

June 15: "Is Life Fair?"

June 22: "OK or No Way? Small Talk with Strangers"

June 29: "Patience: Is It a Virtue or a Lost Opportunity?"

July 6: "Has Political Correctness Gone too Far?"

July 13: "Modern Technology: Are We Moving too Fast?"

Every Shabbos ~ Tanach (Bible) Study (3/4 hour before Mincha)

Every Sunday ~ Mishna Learning (after Shacharis) with Rabbi Chanan Swidler

Every Monday ~ 8:30 pm ~ 'Amud-of -the Week' with Rabbi Perlman (for men only)

First Tuesday of each Month ~ 2:30 pm ~ Women of the Torah ~ at the home of Jackie Berkin facilitated by Rabbi Yaakov Berkowitz of the St. Louis Kollel~ Open to all women ~ Each class is self-contained~ No background knowledge needed.

In the Community

THIS Sunday and Monday YOU can make a HUGE difference in the Jewish future of the youth of St. Louis. The Jewish Student Union (JSU) will be running a \$50,000 matching campaign. ALL donations will be matched dollar for dollar. If you have already donated this year, please consider an additional donation. If you have not yet donated to JSU this year, NOW is your chance to have DOUBLE impact. Please visit <http://jsu.org/stlgivingday> to donate on line from 10:00am Sunday to 10:00pm Monday. To donate off line or prior to Sunday at 10:00am, please contact Rabbi Rovinsky @ 314-498-6279 or Rabbi Staum at 314-712-5963. To learn more about JSU, please visit www.jsustl.org

It's an exciting time at Covenant Place as residents move into the new Covenant Place III! Our professional team members are seeking volunteers for several 3-hour time frames starting at the end of June and into early July. Many of you participated in a similar move when the new Covenant Place I opened and felt a great deal of satisfaction in being of help to the residents. If you would like to volunteer or have any questions, please contact Susan Kemppainen at 314-432-1610, ext. 1112.

~This Week's Torah Trivia~

Last Week's Question: Today is Erev Shavuot. What does the word Shavuot Mean?

Answer: Shavuoth means weeks, as in the 7 weeks that we counted from Pesach until this holiday.

This Week's Question: How many mian Levite families were there? What were their names?



Torah Campaign Kickoff

**We are pleased to announce the
commissioning of our new Sefer Torah**



**Please join us as we learn how to fulfill
the 613th Mitzvah of the Torah:**

“And now, write for yourselves this song, and teach it to the Children of Israel. Place it into their mouths, in order that this song will be for Me as a witness for the Children of Israel.”

**Rabbi Gidon Nitsun of the St. Louis Kollel will lead
us in a discussion and hands-on demonstration ~**

“Writing of the Sefer Torah: Laws and Customs”

**Monday, June 17, 2019, 7:45 pm
at the home of Mike and Alana Minoff**

RSVP to Jeff at **314-991-2100** or jeff@nhbz.org

We will provide the address and phone number at the time of your RSVP



NHBZ BBQ Night

Sunday, June 30
5:00 pm – 7:00 pm



BBQ Hamburger Plate \$12.00

BBQ Hot Dog Plate \$10.00

+ 2 Sides, Dessert and a Beverage

All food under the supervision of Rabbi Ze'ev Smason

Movies for kids on lower level
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***Bring the
whole
Family!***



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July 20: “Religion vs. Spirituality - Is There a Difference?”

July 27: “What Happens Right After We Die?”



THE SISTERHOOD SCOOP JUNE



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MARK YOUR CALENDARS

SAVE THE DATE ★ SAVE THE DATE ★ SAVE THE DATE

★ **St. Louis Jewish Legacy Bus Tour**
Sunday, June 23, 1:00-5:00pm
BUS IS FULL – Email
sisterhood@nhbz.org for info on waitlist



★ **Book Club: Next selection is: *The Last Watchman of Old Cairo*, by Michael David Lukas – at the home of Amy Feit**
– Monday, June 24, 7:15-8:45PM

★ **Sisterhood's NEXT Girls Movie Night Out**
– Mon, July 8, 6:30PM, Mansions on the Plaza

★ **4th Annual Dine 'N' Style Fashion Show & Luncheon & Shopping! – Sun. August 18**

The Priestly Blessing of Love – Adapted from Rabbi Jonathan Sacks

One of the most moving passages in Naso and one with great impact over the course of history, is known by almost every Jew – the priestly blessings:

The L-rd said to Moses, "Tell Aaron and his sons, 'Thus shall you bless the Israelites. Say to them:

May L-rd bless you and protect you;

May the L-rd make His face shine on you and be gracious to you;

May the L-rd turn His face toward you and give you peace.'

Let them set My name on the Israelites, and I will bless them."

This is among the oldest of all prayer texts...used by the priests in the Temple...by the Kohanim in the repetition of the Amidah, in Israel every day, in the Diaspora on festivals...by parents to bless their children... and often said to the bride and groom under the chuppah. It is the simplest and most beautiful of all blessings.

The first verse "May L-rd bless you and protect you," refers, as the commentators note, to material blessings: sustenance, physical health and so on. The second, "May the L-rd make His face shine on you and be gracious to you," refers to moral blessing. *Chen*, grace, is what we show to other people and they to us. It is interpersonal. Here we are asking G-d to give some of His grace to us and others so that we can live together without the strife and envy that can so easily poison relationships.

The third is the most inward of all. There is a lovely story about a crowd of people who have gathered on a hill by the sea to watch a great ship pass by. A young child is waving vigorously. One of the men in the crowd asks him why. He says, "I am waving so the captain of the ship can see me and wave back." "But," said the man, "the ship is far away, and there is a crowd of us here. What makes you think that the captain can see you?" "Because," said the boy, "the captain of the ship is my father. He will be looking for me among the crowd."

That is roughly what we mean when we say, "May the L-rd turn His face toward you." There are seven billion people on the face of the earth. What makes us anything more than a face in the crowd, a wave in the ocean, a grain of sand on the sea shore? The fact that we are G-d's children. He is our parent. He turns His face toward us. He cares.

The G-d of Abraham is not a mere force of nature or even all the forces of nature combined. A tsunami does not pause to ask who its victims will be. There is nothing personal about an earthquake or a tornado. The word *Elokim* means something like "the force of forces, cause of causes, the totality of all scientifically discoverable laws." It refers to those aspects of G-d that are impersonal. It also refers to G-d in His attribute of justice, since justice is essentially impersonal.

But the name we call *Hashem* – the name used in the priestly blessings, and in almost all the priestly texts – is G-d as he relates to us as persons, individuals, each with our unique configuration of hopes and fears, gifts and possibilities. Hashem is the aspect of G-d that allows us to use the word "You". He is the G-d who speaks to us and who listens when we speak to Him. How this happens, we do not know, but that it happens is central to Jewish faith.

That we call G-d Hashem is the transcendental confirmation of our significance in the scheme of things. We matter as individuals because G-d cares for us as a parent for a child. That, incidentally, is one reason why the priestly blessings are all in the singular, to emphasize that G-d blesses us not only collectively but also individually. One life, said the sages, is like a universe.

Wanna go grab a burger?

I can't. I have a week's worth of cheesecake and lasagna to finish first!



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Sisterhood Nominating Committee Now Forming

Any Sisterhood Member interested in participating on the Nominating Committee to help determine next year's Sisterhood Officers and Board Members should contact *Teree Farbstein* at 314-753-5035 or tfarbstein2@gmail.com.

Have a "voice" in your Sisterhood!

Not yet a member of Sisterhood?
Contact the Office to Join!



Shabbat Children's Programming

June 15, 2019

Junior Congregation Ages 7 to 11

10:00 am – 12:00 pm in the Youth Lounge

- Learn the key Shabbat prayers and tunes
- Review the weekly Torah portion
- Discuss cool facts about Israel
- Absorb Israeli culture and spoken Hebrew
- Hang out with old friends and make new ones

Tot Shabbat Children ages 6 and under

10:00 am – 11:30 am in the *Eli Ragin Kids' Play Room*

- Enjoy a fun, engaging, activity-filled Shabbat with songs, stories, games, dancing, puppets & more
- Parents and grandparents are invited to stay

Babysitting is also available **10:00 am - 12:00 pm**

All children welcome – no RSVP, no cost, no worries!

***All programs are on the NHBZ lower level,
and include delicious snacks!***

For questions, please email *Alana Minoff*
at alanaumansky@gmail.com