

Shabbos Parshas Vayeira 5786

FRIDAY NIGHT, NOVEMBER 7

- » Mincha/Kabalas Shabbos/Maariv 5:10 PM
- » Candles 5:12 PM
- » Sunset 5:30 PM

SHABBOS DAY, NOVEMBER 8

- » **NOTE LATER START: Shacharis followed by Kiddush 8:30 AM**
- » 15-min Pirkei Avos Shiur for Women and Kedushas Levi Chabura for Men following Kiddush
- » **Chassidus in the Parsha** with Rabbi Yaakov Rich in shul 4:00-4:45 PM
- » Women & Children S"Y at Rich Home 5:00 - 6:15 PM
- » Mincha 5:00 PM
- » Sunset 5:29 PM
- » Maariv 6:11 PM
- » Shabbos Ends (50 min) 6:19 PM
- » Rabbeinu Tam (72 min) 6:41 PM

A WISE MAN WOULD SAY: "BY FORGETTING THE PAST AND BY THROWING MYSELF INTO OTHER INTERESTS, I FORGET TO WORRY."

REFUAH SHELAIMA

Men

- » Daniel Ze'ev ben Miriam (Brother of Josh Rothstein)

Women

- » Layah Leilech bas Shulamis (Friend of Shira Martin)
- » Devorah bas Heni (Friend of Aviva Bass)
- » Shoshana Gittel bas Chaya Leah (Sister of Naomi Goldberg)

KIDDUSH SPONSORSHIP

- » Kiddush sponsored by Gidon & Liat Shuly. Yapchik and kugel by Dovid Teitlebaum.

CTC SCHEDULE OF SHIURIM/TEFILLAH (Week of Nov 9, 2025)

- » Gemara Zevachim, Mon - Fri, 6:00-6:30 AM
- » **Shacharis, 6:30 AM**
- » Amud HaYomi Sanhedrin: Sunday - Friday, 12 -1 PM, On Zoom with Rabbi Yaakov Rich. Email Rabbi Rich for the link.
- » Shemone Perakim 7:30 PM
- » Maariv 8:00 PM
- » Mishnayos Shabbos (Sun-Thur) 8:15 PM

TIDBITS

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As of Shacharis on Tuesday, November 11th, Shemoneh Esrei will have been recited ninety times with the inclusion of Mashiv HaRuach U'Morid HaGeshem. Therefore, after this point, one who is unsure if he added Mashiv HaRuach can halachically be presumed to have said it correctly, and need not repeat Shemoneh

Esrei (this is applicable for Nusach Ashkenaz; Nusach Sefard mispalleim [who say Morid Hatal in the summer months] never need to correct). Note: One who served as a shaliach tzibbur during this period may count his chazaras hashatz towards his count of ninety.

Make sure to call your parents, in-laws, grandparents and Rebbe to wish them a good Shabbos. If you didn't speak to your kids today, make sure to connect with them as well!

Shabbos Mevorchim Chodesh Kislev is next Shabbos Parashas Chayei Sarah.

VAYEIRA: Hashem appears to Avraham, who, despite his weakened condition and the unbearable heat, seeks guests • Avraham rushes to greet three "nomads" • An angel foretells that Sarah will bear a child; Sarah laughs • Two angels leave for Sedom • Hashem tells Avraham that He intends to destroy Sedom • Avraham (unsuccessfully) pleads with Hashem to spare Sedom • The angels arrive at Sedom; Lot hosts them • The people of Sedom attempt to attack the guests • The angels extract Lot's family from the doomed city, commanding them not to look back at the destruction • Lot, his wife and two unmarried daughters escape the city • Lot's wife looks back and turns into a pillar of salt • Lot and his daughters settle in a cave • Lot's daughters get their father drunk and bear their father's children, naming them Ammon and Moav • Avimelech takes Sarah • Hashem appears to Avimelech in a dream • Avimelech returns Sarah along with gifts • Yitzchok is born, and then circumcised at eight days old • Sarah worries about Yishmael's influence on Yitzchok • Hashem commands Avraham to heed Sarah and banish Hagar and Yishmael • Yishmael is saved from death in the desert; an angel promises that Yishmael will be a large nation • Akeidas Yitzchok • Avraham is promised great blessings for passing the test • Rivkah is born to Avraham's extended family.

Haftarah: Avraham Avinu is renowned for his great acts of chessed. The haftarah discusses chessed which was performed by Elisha on two occasions (Melachim Beis 4:1-37). Both Ovadiah's widow and the Isha Hashunamis who benefited from Elisha's chessed performed chessed in turn with others.

Parashas Vayeira: 147 Pesukim • No Mitzvos listed

"They said to him, 'Where is Sarah your wife?' [Avraham] said, 'She is in the tent'" (Bereishis 18:9)

The Gemara (Bava Metzia 87a) explains that the malachim knew of Sarah's whereabouts; yet they inquired in order to endear her to her husband by bringing attention to her excellence in the middah of tznius. Rashi adds that in this attribute Sarah was a Tz'nuah Yoser Meichavroseha, that her trait was extraordinary amongst her peers.

Rav Elya Baruch Finkel zt"l explains that even beyond complimenting a trait of Sarah's, the malachim highlighted a unique characteristic that she possessed. One can continually strengthen a relationship with others by focusing on their unique attributes and abilities. This leads to genuine admiration and appreciation.

Rabbi Zlotowitz z"l would point out that we are discussing two of the greatest people in history, Avraham and Sarah, who at this point were married for many, many years. Yet still, the Torah notes that a Malach sought to compliment her to her husband. How much more careful and proactive must spouses be nowadays in fostering mutual endearment!