

# Young Israel of the Main Line

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Parshas Emor

פרשת אמור

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## Chevra Mishnayos

The Chevra Mishnayos is learning Seder Nizikim. Sign up on shul bulletin board or email [eisenberg.dj@verizon.net](mailto:eisenberg.dj@verizon.net) with your name and the masechta and chapters you intend to learn.

**Bnos:** Will meet from 4:30 to 5:30pm at LMS. Contact Meira Friedman 610-617-9529 or [dmf201@gmail.com](mailto:dmf201@gmail.com).

**Torah Youth:** Contact Rabbi Schwartz at [sruli@torahyouth.org](mailto:sruli@torahyouth.org) or Rabbi Silver at [silverDollar@verizon.net](mailto:silverDollar@verizon.net).



## Shabbos Schedule



Light Candles:	7:32pm
Mincha, followed by Kabbalas Shabbos:	7:00pm
Parsha Chaburah given by Ron Werrin:	7:55am
Shiur on Sefer Tehillim with the Malbim's Commentary:	8:15am
Shacharis:	8:45am
Sof Zman Krias Shema:	9:31am
Shabbos Groups, upstairs, for ages 2 and up.	9:45am
The congregation is invited to the Kollel for kiddush following davening in honor of Tzemach's bar mitzva.	
Mincha:	7:15pm
Shalosh Seudos is sponsored by Daniel and Janet Eisenberg in honor of Tzemach's Bar Mitzva.	
Maariv:	8:36pm

## YIML Ladies' Night Out

Sunday, May 12th, 7-9pm at The Mud Room in Ardmore, 11 Station Rd, Ardmore, PA. Light refreshments will be served. Cost: \$12 plus the cost of a ceramic piece of your choice. There will be a raffle with prizes from local vendors. Sponsorships available: Painter \$36 (entitles you to admission + 1 raffle ticket), Sculptor \$54 (entitles you to admission + 2 raffle tickets), Artist \$72 (entitles you to admission + 3 raffle tickets), RSVP: Diane Braid: call/text 516-429-9594 or email [dianebrad@gmail.com](mailto:dianebrad@gmail.com).

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Sun, Apr 28	Mon, Apr 29	Tue, Apr 30	Wed, May 1	Thu, May 2	Fri, May 3
Lag b'Omer					
Shacharis I 7:15am	Shacharis 6:40am	Shacharis 6:50am	Shacharis 6:50am	Shacharis 6:40am	Shacharis 6:50am
Shacharis II 8:00am	Mincha 7:40pm	Mincha 7:40pm	Mincha 7:40pm	Mincha 7:40pm	Light Candles 7:39pm
Mincha 7:40pm					Mincha 7:00pm
18 Iyyar	19 Iyyar	20 Iyyar	21 Iyyar	22 Iyyar	23 Iyyar

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■ Mazel Tov to Daniel and Janet Eisenberg and family on Tzemach's Bar Mitzvah. The congregation is invited to the Kollel for kiddush following davening in honor of Tzemach's bar mitzva. May we continue to share simchas!

### YIML Cholim List Reminder

The YIML cholim list is cleared and renewed each Rosh Chodesh. Please submit names of cholim to [yimlcholim@gmail.com](mailto:yimlcholim@gmail.com), the gabbaim, or add them directly to the list by clicking here: (<https://spreadsheets.google.com/ccc?key=0AhzUhsDQjn2NdDAyYUZIN2RNM2hVVk1YY09HNzREd0E&hl=en&authkey=CKWn8pwD>). The link is also from the YIML Internet Archive.

### Thought of the Week

"When you reap the harvest of your land, you shall not remove completely the corners of your field as you reap and you shall not gather the gleanings of your harvest; for the poor and the proselyte shall you leave them..." (23:22)

The latter portion of this week's Parsha deals extensively with the festivals. In the midst of the chapter of the festivals, the Torah introduces the laws concerning leaving crops for the poor. Rashi cites the Midrash that questions why these laws are repeated, having already been discussed in Parshas Kedoshim. Furthermore, why are these laws specifically repeated in the middle of the section regarding the festivals? The Midrash answers that since the festivals were a time when offerings were brought up to Yerushalayim by the Jewish people, the Torah is teaching that a person who leaves for the poor "leket" - grain which falls from the harvester and "shikecha" - grain which is forgotten by the harvester, and "pe'ah" - a corner of the field that is left for the poor, is considered to have built the Beis Hamikdash and offered Korbanos within it.<sup>1</sup> Why are these particular gifts, leket, shikecha and pe'ah singled out from amongst the many forms of charity?

Furthermore, what is the meaning of the comparison to the building of the Beis Hamikdash and the bringing of Korbanos?

The commentaries explain that when Hashem commanded us to build the Mishkan, He did not use the words "yitnu li" - "give to Me", rather "yikchu li" - "take on My behalf" for we cannot give to Hashem; we acknowledge that the wealth we possess is really His, and therefore, we built the Mishkan with that which was His.<sup>3</sup> This concept holds true for Korbanos brought in the Beis Hamikdash as well. We do not "give" Korbanos to Hashem; rather, through the symbolic gesture of bringing a Korban, we acknowledge that what we have is really His.

Almost all forms of charity involve giving to a poor person. This action often provides the person giving with a feeling of magnanimity, and can skew his perception so that he feels he is giving that which belongs to him. Leket, shikecha and pe'ah are unique forms of charity in that the landowner does not give anything to the poor; he is forbidden to collect the produce involved, thereby preventing him from determining who will receive it. The landowner is commanded to leave the produce where it is and allow any needy person who wishes, to take it for himself. This procedure drives home the concept to the landowner that he does not control the wealth; rather, charity is merely the means by which Hashem distributes His wealth. When a person fulfills these mitzvos, which are the most difficult forms of charity for they preclude the feeling of satisfaction from having actually given, it is as if he built the Beis Hamikdash and offered Korbanos; the comparison is clear, for these actions also require a person to comprehend that he is merely the conduit through whom Hashem redistributes that which is His.

1.23:22

2.Ibid

3.Teruma 25:2

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