

Young Israel of Sunny Isles Beach

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WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS Tammuz 22 - 29, 5785 I July 18 - 25, 2025

Shabbat Pinchas/Mevarchim HaChodesh Shabbat Schedule

Friday, July 18		Weekly Davening Schedule	
Candle Lighting	7:55 PM	Shacharit	8:00 AM
Mincha & Kabbalat Shabbat	7:00 PM	Rabbi Haber's Shiur	6:45 PM
Saturday, July 19		Mincha/Maariv	7:00 PM
Shacharit	8:45 AM		
Mincha	8:00 PM		
Rabbi Haber's Shiur: "Why Life Is Not Always as We Dream It to Be"			
Maariv/Shabbat Ends	8:52 PM	Candle lighting next Shabbat	7:52 PM

This week's kiddush is being sponsored by

• Olivia and Dr Michael Sugar and family in memory of Michael's beloved mother Yehudit bat Mordechai HaCohen.

Mazal Tov

• Stephanie and Jules Trump on the birth of a great-grandson in Israel.

Parasha tidbits from the Rabbi

This Torah portion is always read before or at the beginning of the "Three Weeks" (Bein HaMetzarim), as this reading serves as a form of healing and hope before the heavy blow of the destruction of the Holy Temples and the fall of Yerushalayim, which we commemorate each year at this time. As stated in the Midrash: "Pinchas is Eliyahu" — he who has been appointed as the messenger of redemption. In addition, we learn in our parsha (Bamidbar 25:13): "און אַחָרָעוֹ אַחָרָעוֹ אַחָרָעוֹ אַחָרָעוֹ אַחָרָעוֹ אַחָרָעוֹ אַחָרָיו בְּרִית כְּהַנַּת עוֹלָם" "And it shall be to him (Pinchas), and to his descendants after him, the covenant of an everlasting priesthood..." We find that indeed, just about all of the High Priests (Kohanim Gedolim) who served in the Beit HaMikdash—even at the beginning of the Second Temple period—were descendants of Pinchas. This is how he was rewarded. May we all merit the final redemption, speedily and in our days.

Shabbat Shalom/שבת שלום ומבורך

Parasha thought from Rabbi Arthur Kirsch

The pasuk (Bamidbar 27:16) uses an odd expression: *Elokei haruchot l'chol basar*. Moshe wanted the new leader to be, ideally, one of his own children—or at least Pinchas, but Hashem told Moshe that the appropriate leader would be his devoted student, Yehoshua. Why? Because a true leader must be *"sovel l'chol da'ot shel ha'am"*—he must be able to tolerate, understand, and connect with all the differing views, even those that strongly contradict his own. Pinchas, though righteous, was a *kanoi*—a zealot. Pinchas could serve as a Kohen Gadol, but not as a *manhig* (leader). Yehoshua, on the other hand, had demonstrated true humility and dedication. He put away the *seforim*, arranged the chairs in the *shul*, and quietly served behind the scenes. The Aderet (Rav Eliyahu David Rabinowitz-Teomim) brings a halachic insight related to this theme. Suppose someone has *yahrzeit* for his grandfather but doesn't have a *minyan*. He goes out, gathers people, sets everything up, and is about to begin *davening*. Suddenly, someone else walks in and says, "I have *yahrzeit* for a parent." Normally, precedence goes to the person saying *Kaddish* for a parent. But the Aderet rules that in this case, the person saying *yahrzeit* for the grandfather gets the *amud*—because he put in the effort to gather the minyan and set everything up. His action gives him precedence. Similarly, when someone has *yahrzeit*, and is given *shlishi*, and wants to say an extra *Kaddish*, the *Baal Koreh* may allow it. But *halachically*, if the *Baal Koreh* doesn't want to allow it, he can say the *Kaddish* himself. Why? Because he brought us to this point by *laining* the Torah. In a sense, he made it possible, and the *Kaddish* is his to give or to say.

Have a great Shabbos!

Shul Notes

- Thank you to the volunteers who organized the Shabbat kiddush.
- Shabbat Group for Children: We are happy to announce that we are now offering a morning Shabbat group for our children. The group will start at 9:30 AM and will conclude after davening. It will be fully supervised, and we hope you will bring your children for a fun and learning experience. Please bring the children to the Social Hall.
- New Payment Option Available! We are excited to inform you that our shul now accepts payments via Zelle! This convenient option allows you to make contributions, pay dues, and support our shul with ease. To make a payment, simply use the following email address: youngisraelofsib@bellsouth.net.
- **To Sponsor a Kiddush:** Anyone wishing to sponsor a Kiddush should notify the office (the earlier, the better). Do you have a family simcha or any special occasion you'd like to include in the bulletin? Please notify the office by Thursday.
- For any questions regarding kashrut, the eruv and other halachic issues contact Rabbi Haber.

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