



Young Israel of Sunny Isles Beach

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WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Iyar 18 - 25, 5785 | May 16 - 23, 2025

Shabbat Emor

Shabbat Schedule

Friday, May 16		Weekly Davening Schedule	
Candle Lighting	7:42 PM	Shacharit	8:00 AM
Mincha & Kabbalat Shabbat	7:00 PM	Rabbi Haber's Shiur	6:45 PM
Saturday, May 17		Mincha/Maariv	7:00 PM
Shacharit	8:45 AM		
Mincha	7:45 PM		
Rabbi Haber's Shiur: "Lag B'Omer: From Moshe Rabbeinu to Rabbi Shimon Bar Yochai — The Untold Story"			
Maariv/Shabbat Ends	8:39 PM	Candle lighting next Shabbat	7:45 PM

This week's kiddush is being sponsored by

- **Ruth & Marc Moyal** in loving memory of their mother Alice bat Shlomo and Freida in commemoration of her Shloshim.
- **Svetlana & Michael Rachaminov** in memory of Michael's beloved mother Marusya bat Yona and Frecha.
- **Shiri & Robin Chicly** in honor of the courageous survivors of the **October 7th tragedy** who are visiting our community: **Noam Ben David, Ariel Ein Gal, and Maayan Snapir**. We are humbled by their presence and inspired by their resilience. May their continued healing be a source of strength to us all.

Parasha tidbits from the Rabbi

“וּסְפַרְתֶּם לָכֶם מִמָּחֳרַת הַשַּׁבָּת” (Vayikra 23:15) “*And you shall count from the day after the day of rest*”

The *Yalkut Yitzchak* teaches that immediately after we count the Omer each night, we say:

“הִרְחֵם הוּא יַחֲזִיר לָנוּ עֲבוֹדַת בֵּית הַמִּקְדָּשׁ לְמִקְוָה בְּמַהֲרָה בְּיָמֵינוּ” “*May the Merciful One restore the service of the Holy Temple to its place, speedily in our days.*” This is because, according to the Torah, the mitzvah of *Sefirat HaOmer* can only be fulfilled in the context of the Temple, where the Omer offering was brought. In our times, when the Beit Hamikdash no longer stands, the mitzvah is fulfilled *m'derabanan*—by rabbinic decree—in remembrance of the Temple service. Therefore, we pray for the rebuilding of the Beit Hamikdash, so that we may once again fulfill the mitzvah of *Sefirat HaOmer m'doraita*—according to Torah law. May this take place speedily in our days.

שבת שלום ומבורך/Shabbat Shalom

Monday, June 2, 2025 Shavuot Milchig Kiddush

We are seeking sponsors for the Shavuot Milchig Kiddush. A minimum donation of \$100 per family is suggested. Please contact the shul office or George Kohn to contribute and submit your dedication.

Parasha thought from Rabbi Arthur Kirsch

In the middle of the parsha, while discussing the Moadim (holidays), the Torah introduces a verse about leket, shikchah, and pe'ah—the agricultural gifts to the poor. It tells the owner of a field to leave a portion at the corners for the aniyim (poor people). You might think that when the poor come to collect it, you should go out and help them cut it or give them bags to carry it—but Rashi explains: No! Just leave it for them. Why can't you help them? Because it no longer belongs to you. You are merely a steward. It already belongs to the poor. This should be our attitude with all tzedakah: We are only stewards. It does not truly belong to us. Everything in this world belongs to HaKadosh Baruch Hu. If He sees fit to bless us with "extra money," then we must see ourselves as stewards or guardians of those funds. In the Talmud, this role is referred to as an "apotropos"—a trustee. The money is entrusted to us for the sake of future tzedakah opportunities that will arise throughout life. When someone approaches you in shul or elsewhere, it is not a burden but an opportunity to give tzedakah—and one should give with a smile.

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.
- **Reflective Belts Available for Pick-Up:** For your safety, reflective belts are now available for pick-up at the Shul's office. We encourage all members to take one and use it during early morning or evening walks to increase visibility and ensure your safety. Please stop by the office during regular hours to collect your belt. Stay safe and stay visible!
- **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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