



PARSHAS PEKUDAI

Rav Mordechai Kalatsky
March 15, 2024 | 5th Adar Bais, 5784



ZMANIM

Fri Erev Shabbos Parshas Pekudai Mar 15th

Shacharis 7 AM
Mincha 7:05PM, CL 7:02 PM

Shabbos Parshas Pekudai March 16th

Shacharis 8:45 AM
Mincha 6:55 PM
Shabbos over 8:12 PM

Sunday March 17th

Shacharis 8:30 AM
Mincha/Maariv 7:10 PM

Mon-Wed March 18th-20th

Shacharis 7 AM
Mincha/Maariv 7:10 PM

Thursday Taanis Esther March 21st

Fast starts 6:01 AM
Shachris 7AM
Mincha/Maariv 7PM
Fast ends 8:13 PM

Friday March 22nd

Parshas Vayikra
Shachris 7 AM
Mincha 7:15 PM CL 7:11 PM

(מג) וַיֵּרָא מֹשֶׁה אֶת־כָּל־הַמְּלָאכָה וְהִנֵּה עָשׂוּ אֹתָהּ כַּאֲשֶׁר צִוָּה ה' כִּן עָשׂוּ וַיְבָרֶךְ אֹתָם מֹשֶׁה:
"And Moshe saw all the work and behold they did it as Hashem commanded, so did they do, and Moshe blessed them."

Rabbi Zalman Sorotzkin related the following story. He once attended the dedication ceremony of an institution. The Rabbinical head of the institution had devoted an extremely large amount of personal time and energy towards this project, and when he addressed the crowd he heaped praise and blessing upon all the generous donors. When Rabbi Zalman Sorotzkin followed this courteous address, he commented, "In truth, the donors should be the one to praise and bless the Rabbi. It was his efforts that enabled them to have the merit of contributing to such a worthwhile charity." Rabbi Sorotzkin then continued, "This Rabbi is following in Moshe's humble ways. For after the complete report of everything dedicated to the tabernacle Moshe blessed all those who participated in the donations and contributions. They should have blessed Moshe for the opportunity that he gave them."

In the same vein, when a wealthy person helps a poor person, the wealthy person gains more from the exchange, since he gains spiritual merit. In this world, however, we typically find the receiver being more grateful than the benefactor.

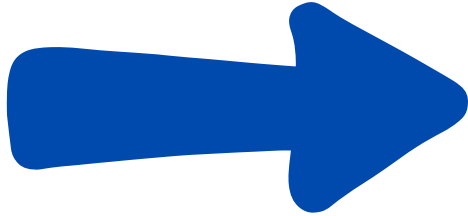
The Chafetz Chaim used to give one ruble to every person who came to him seeking charity. One time, someone came in the pouring rain, and the Chafetz Chaim gave him two rubles. Knowing the Chafetz Chaim's normal practice the man innocently asked why he had merited two rubles. The sage answered, "Today it is raining and you had to exert yourself to bring me the merit of giving charity, so I felt it was only right to give you double!"

When someone approaches us for a contribution for a worthy cause, we should appreciate that he is doing us a favor by giving us an opportunity to contribute. While it is definitely important for the receiver to have gratitude, it is an entirely different experience for the benefactor if he recognizes that he is gaining tremendous spiritual assets for mere dollars. This realization will surely permeate his personality in so many ways.

Have a magnificent Shabbos!
Rabbi Kalatsky

COMMUNITY NEWS

TODAY AT 2:30!



PURIM 5784

SCHEDULE

5:00 PM	Doors open. Children's programming begins
5:15 PM	Washing and first course
5:45 PM	Second course/buffet open
7-8 PM	Dancing and dessert

PRICES

MEMBERS	NON-MEMBERS
ADULT \$25	ADULT \$29
11 YRS. AND UP \$20	11 YRS. AND UP \$24
UNDER 11 YRS. \$13	UNDER 11 YRS. \$15

LIVE MUSIC

FACE PAINTING

BALLOON MAKING

DRUM LIGHT GAME

CRAFTS AND MORE

Ribbon Cutting

AMMA's Children's Center

FRIDAY MARCH 15TH 2:30 PM

EREV SHABBOS PARTY!

- T-shirts
- ices
- kugel
- cholent

Dedicated by the Fiterman Family

Purim Seudah Volunteers Needed

We are currently looking for volunteers to come help with the Purim set-up!

We need help with:

- Moving Furniture
- Setting Tables
- Decoration

Location: At the Shul

Date: March 23rd
Motzei Shabbos/Saturday night
9:30pm - 10:30 pm

Thank you!
RSVP to office below please

HALACHA

One can not fulfill his Kiddush chiyuv unless he eats a meal in the same place where he made Kiddush. This halacha is learnt from the pasuk vekarasa lashabbos oneg, which means you must proclaim shabbos by saying kiddush in the same place he delights over the food.

Included in this chiyuv is to eat the meal immediately after Kiddush. In order for one's Kiddush to be valid the following two conditions must be met: the Kiddush must be said where the meal is to be eaten and the meal must be eaten immediately after Kiddush. If either one is missing, the kiddush is not valid.

KIDDUSH

Kiddush this week is sponsored by Dr. Michael and Rae Ann Wexler for the Yahrzeit of Rae Ann's father, Yehuda Leib (Kirschbaum) ben Avroham Yosef, OBM, the 8th of Adar.

Shalosh seudos still available.



MAZEL TOV

Mazel tov to Henry and Maxinne Goldman on their wedding this past week!
Mazel tov to Simon and BJ Goldman and the entire mishpacha!

Mazel tov to Choni Skapino on his upcoming wedding this week! Mazel tov to Mordechai and Miryam Skapino and family!
May they be zoche to build a bayis neeman beyisrael

Mazel tov to Josh and Noa Dimbert on their wedding this past week!
Mazel tov to Neil and Jill singer and the entire mishpacha!

KI KID'S CORNER



Remember to tell
your kids to call
the hotline so
they can
participate in this
week's Derech
Eretz challenge!



SHIURIM



Wednesdays 9am - Mesilas Yescharim (R. Kalatsky)

Thursdays 8pm- Jewish Concepts (R. Kalatsky)

Thursdays 9:15pm – Mishmar (R. Kalatsky)

Shabbos 8:15am – Parenting (John Ghermezian)

Shabbos-New Relevant Halacha Shailos
with Rabbi Kalatsky 15 minutes before
mincha

Shabbos Daf Yomi – 1 hour before Mincha
(Zevi Segal)

Shabbos Nesivos Shalom - 50 minutes before
Mincha – (Sender Russel)

Sponsor a Kiddush at KI

Standard Kiddush - \$300

Upgraded Kiddush - \$450

Make your next simcha kiddush @ KI -
reach out Sid for simcha pricing

Contact Sid Usem 651-253-1099



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