

# KI BULLETIN



## PARSHAS VAYIKRA

Rav Mordechai Kalatsky  
March 20th 2026 | 2nd Nissan 5786



**"WHEN A PERSON OF YOU BRINGS AN OFFERING TO  
HASHEM" (Vayikra 1:2)**

Rabbi Hirsch commented on this verse: It is most regrettable that we have no word which really reproduces the idea which lies behind the expression *karbon*. The word sacrifice implies losing something of value for the benefit of another. The idea of a *karbon* is used exclusively with reference to man's relation to Hashem, and its meaning can only be understood from its root *karov*, which means to approach and to come into close relationship with somebody.

One bringing a *karbon* desires a close relationship with Hashem. The purpose of this relationship is the attainment of a higher sphere of life as closeness to Hashem is the highest and purest form of "good." Consequently, true happiness is dependent on closeness to Hashem and one's happiness rises and falls according to his/her relationship with Hashem. When one feels close to Hashem one feels that everything in life is tailor made for success and development. With this attitude, even difficulties become easier to accept because there is a reason and goal behind them. We all willingly experience difficulties and hardship to achieve a desired goal; whether it be investing time at work or going to the gym and walking out shaking from the workout. When a person lives with the knowledge that the Almighty is right beside him/her, hardships become workouts.

This week, let us take one minute every day to stop, and articulate a specific good in our lives and thank the Almighty for all He does for us. This will lead to a greater closeness and happiness in our everyday lives!

Good Shabbos!

Rabbi Kalatsky

## ZMANIM

### Erev Shabbos – Parshas Vayikra (Friday)

#### March 20th

Shacharis: 7:00 AM

#### Move to early Shabbos minyan

Early Mincha (Early Shabbos): 5:55 PM

Early Candle Lighting: 6:15–6:22 PM

Regular Candle Lighting: 7:07 PM

### Shabbos –Parshas Vayikra- March 21st

Shacharis: 8:45 AM

Mincha: 6:45 PM

Maariv: 8:18 PM

### Sunday March 22nd

Learning: 8:00 AM

Shacharis: 8:45 AM

Mincha/Maariv: 7:15 PM

### Monday–Thursday March 23-26

Shacharis: 7:00 AM

Mincha/Maariv: 7:15 PM

### Erev Shabbos HaGadol – Parshas Tzav (Friday)

Shacharis: 7:00 AM

Early Mincha: 6:00 PM

Early Candle Lighting: 6:20–6:25 PM

Regular Candle Lighting: 7:16 PM

# COMMUNITY NEWS

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## PESACH de-stressed

Featuring  
Rabbi Eli Markowitz & Shlomo Schloss, LICSW

Sunday, March 22<sup>nd</sup> | 7:45PM  
Torah Academy Beis Knesses

A project of the Minneapolis Community Fund

RABBI KALATSKY WILL BE AVAILABLE TO SELL YOUR CHOMETZ AFTER SHACHRIS AND MAARIV.

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YOU MAY ALSO USE THE KI WEBSITE (SEE BUTTON BELOW) PLEASE INCLUDE: "SALE OF CHAMETZ" IN THE MEMO BOX.

### Maot Chitim

## Back on!

### SUNDAY MORNING KOLLEL @ KI

8:00- 8:45 AM  
LEARNING KOLLEL

OPTIONAL SHIUR BY RABBI ELI MARKOWITZ

Topic:  
Shailos from the past week

8:45 AM  
SHACHRIS

## SHAIMOS DROPOFF

This Sunday  
March 22  
11:15 am-1:15 pm

At Torah Academy  
Door #3  
Torah Tot drop-off door

**\$25/Brown Paper Bag**  
Other size boxes or bags will be prorated

\*A project of the 8<sup>th</sup> grade

*This Shabbos*

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## שבת של מיר

פרישת ויקרא  
ב'ג' ניסן, תשפ"ו | MARCH 20-21, 2026

With the participation of  
**Harav Hagaon Yehuda Wagshal Shlita**  
רמ"ד ירושלים מיר ירושלים

<b>Friday Night</b>		<b>Shabbos Afternoon</b>
<b>MINCHA</b> 5:55 PM	Followed by Kabolas Shabbos	<b>SHIUR YUIN</b> 5:40 PM
<b>Oneg</b> 9:45 PM	At the home of Mr. and Mrs. Avrami Roberts 2517 Kipling Avenue	<b>MINNEAPOLIS COMMUNITY KOLLEL</b>
<b>Shabbos Morning</b>		<b>MINCHA</b> 6:55 PM
<b>SHACHRIS</b> 8:30 AM	At the home of Mr. and Mrs. Naama Jaffe 4200 West 25th Street	Followed by Shailos Seudos
<b>BAIS YISSROEL</b>	Rav Yehoshua Greenberg Shlita 4221 Sunset Avenue South	<b>At the home of</b>
	Divrei Chizuk after Mussaf	<b>Alumni Mekave Malitz</b> 9:45 PM
		At the home of Mr. and Mrs. Naama Jaffe 4200 West 25th Street

Host Committee: Jaffe Family (Management Family) Greenberg Family  
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# MAZEL TOV

With much gratitude to Hashem we would like to invite you to the vort of our dear children

## Aliza & Binyomin

Sunday, March 22  
at the Miller Home  
2631 Quentin Avenue  
7:00 PM to 9:00 PM  
Albert & Chaya Miller  
Chuna Chaim & Chana Liba Lebowitz

## HALACHA

The permissibility of opening a refrigerator door on Shabbos is a matter of dispute among contemporary poskim. Opening the door allows warm air to enter, which raises the internal temperature, and since the refrigerator operates with a thermostat, this rise will eventually cause the motor to turn on. In many cases, the motor does not begin running immediately, but only after some time has elapsed; however, if the temperature is already elevated, opening the door may cause the motor to start right away. Some authorities rule that since opening the door will ultimately cause the motor to run, it is considered as if one directly activated it, and therefore it is prohibited to open the refrigerator when the motor is off, although many who follow this view permit opening it when the motor is already running, since doing so merely prolongs its current activity. Other authorities maintain that it is permitted to open the refrigerator even when the motor is not running, since the motor generally starts only after a delay and is therefore considered a case of grama, indirect causation, and additionally one's intention is simply to access food and not to activate the motor, making it a davar she'eino miskaven; even though it may sometimes begin running immediately, it is not inevitable in every case and is therefore not treated as a direct violation.

## RELEVANT HALACHA SHAILOS-GIVEN BY THE RAV AFTER MINCHA ON SHABBOS DURING THE LEARNING SEDER

Hallel Of Seder Night

## KIDDUSH



Kiddush sponsorship still available

Shalosh seudos sponsored by the shalosh  
seudos crew leulei nishmas

Shmulie Weiss' mother,

אורה יוטל בת שמעון, Dr. Eileen Weiss a"ח

# KI KID'S CORNER

WHERE TO THIS WEEK?  
 WHATS THE MIDDOS CHALLENGE?  
 I WANT TO HEAR THE KI KIDS SONG!  
 +MORE




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# SHIURIM



**Wednesdays 9am** - Chovos Halevovos-Rabbi Kalatsky

**Shabbos 8:15am** - Parenting-John Ghermezian

**Shabbos-** Pirkei Avos 35 minutes before Mincha

**Shabbos-**Relevant Halacha Shailos with Rabbi Kalatsky 10 minutes after mincha

**Shabbos Daf Yomi** - 50 minutes before Mincha Zevi Segal

**Shabbos Nesivos Shalom** - 50 minutes before Mincha

**Let's Make Kiddush @ KI**

**Upgrade - \$550 member** (15% off for plus member)  
**\$600 non-member**

Cholent  
 Potato Kugel  
 Herring  
 Crackers  
 Cakes  
 Sodas

Choice of 1: Beef Jerky, Turkey Shawarma, Salami Tray, or Pastrami\*\*  
 Veggies & Dip  
 Grapes  
 Hummus  
 Water

**Standard - \$360 member** (15% off for plus member)  
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 Herring  
 Crackers

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 Sodas  
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