

**CRANBROOK NEWS** 22 Beehive Lane 020 8629 2780



Shabbat, 11<sup>th</sup> January 2025 /11<sup>th</sup> Tevet 5785 Shabbat Vayechi

**Shabbat Service Times** Shacharit No Mincha Service Shabbat Ends Ma'ariv at Ilford Federation Next Friday: Candle Lighting Kabbalat Shabbat



9.30am

5.07pm 5.30pm

4.09pm

Rabbi Dansky

Simon Schlazer

This week's Cranbrook News is kindly sponsored by Alan Lester in memory of his late father, Nat Lester, z"l.



To Stephanie and John Rose on their 50th (Golden) Wedding Anniversary.

To Betty Bush, Marilyn Gladstone, Russell Green, Helena Hockley, Barbara Mervish and Zack Zetter Plummer on their respective Birthdays.

## Torah Reading

Leyning: Vayechi

Sefer Genesis 47:28-50:26

Artscroll p268, Cohen/Soncino P296 Hertz p180

Haftorah: I Kings 2:1-12

Artscroll p1145, Cohen/Soncino P315 Hertz p191

WEEKLY SERVICE TIMES W/B 12<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY Shacharit – at Ilford Federation Synagogue Sunday at 8.30am; Monday at 7.20am, and Tuesday at 7.30am Wednesday at 7.30am, Thursday at 7.20 and Friday 7.30am

Mincha at Chabad Gants Hill at 1.30pm Monday to Thursday

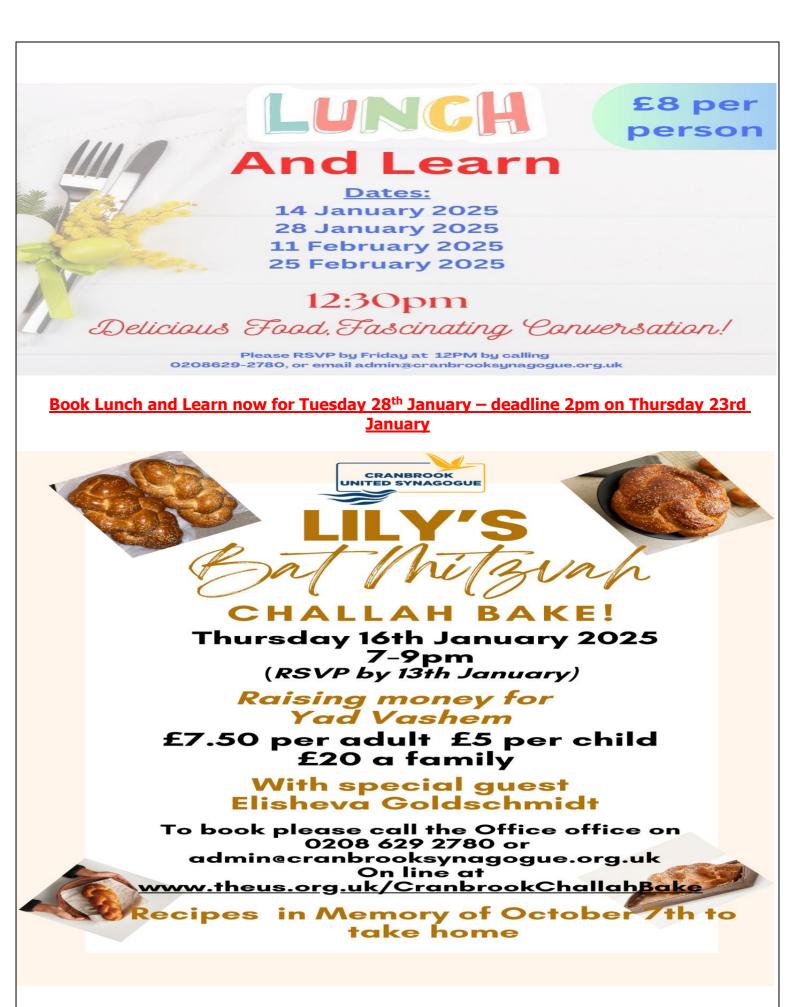
Mincha/Ma'ariv at Ilford Federation Synagogue

Ma'ariv Saturday 5.30pm

Sunday Mincha/Ma'ariv at 4.00pm

Ma'ariv at Cranbrook United Synagogue Monday to Thursday at 7.30pm





Lily's Batmitzvah Twinning Project with Yad Vashem will be a chance for Ladies to come together to create the Mitzvah of making Challah.

### We wish the following members, who have Yahrzeit in the coming week, a long life:

Vera Aarons, Stephen Arbiter, Ann Belson, Ralph Berkley, Howard Berlin, Kenneth Black, Susan Brattman, Jacqueline Burns, Kitty Davis, Raymond Franks, Sylvia Frydland, Ezekiel Gillis, Doreen Gold, Stephen Goldman, Barbara Grew, Elizabeth Greyman, Robert Grossman, Brenda Harris, Vivien Hoffman, Claire Hutchinson, Martin Kay, Andrew Keizner, Cyril Keizner, Janet Kennard, Stella Landsberg, Maureen Lazarus, Jeffrey Leader, Rita Lebetkin, Brian Lee, Lily Lee, Alan Lester, Angela Levene, Anthony Levine, Sadie Levy, Patricia Lewis, Jennifer Marks, Pauline Meardon, Shirley Millar, Sandra Nerden, Mandie Preston, Martin Rankoff, Sarah Roat, Sandra Robins, Joseph Rose, Daniel Rose, Estelle Rosenbloom, Barry Roth, Irving Rozansky, Betty Saunders, Sharon Saunders, Linda Segal, Barry Shenker, Keith Shenker, Rita Shenker, Ruth Sherman, Estelle Smiler, Simon Smiler, Rita Stedman, June Stevens, Stuart Stirling, Astrid Tartes, Shirley Vancliff, Eileen Vilka, Kenneth Wayne, Audree Wershof, Elliot Woolf, Yaron Woolf, David Zwirek.

Condolences to the family of Karla Austin.			
19 <sup>th</sup> January 2025	Gerald Weiland	Waltham Abbey	11.30am
Husband of Rita Weiland			
26 <sup>th</sup> January 2025	Harry Cohen	Waltham Abbey	11.00am
Father of Debra Gershon			
26 <sup>TH</sup> January 2025	Alan Bronzite	Waltham Abbey	11.30am
Brother of Louis Bronzite			
2 <sup>nd</sup> February 2025	Helen Flax	Waltham Abbey	12noon
Mother of Andrew Flax			

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Please note that Rabbi Dansky's weekly Shiurim will now take place via Zoom on Wednesdays at 10.00am.

Next Shiur – 15<sup>th</sup> January

Join Zoom Meeting https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81216388053

Meeting ID: 812 1638 8053

Passcode: 403506



# Sedra Synopsis: Vayechi

Yaakov had been in Egypt for 17 years and was 147 years old. Knowing that he would soon die, he asked Yosef to take an oath to bury him in Cana'an (Israel) in the Cave of the Machpela, where his forefathers are buried. Yosef promised. Yaakov became ill and Yosef visited him, together with sons Ephraim and Menashe. Yaakov told Yosef that these two grandsons will be like the other tribes and will receive their own portion of the Land.

Yaakov's sight was failing. Yosef placed his younger son Ephraim to Yaakov's left and his older son Menashe to Yaakov's right. However, Yaakov crossed his arms, putting his right hand on Ephraim's head and his left hand on Menashe's head. He blessed them with his hands in this position. Yosef tried to switch Yaakov's hands back but Yaakov resisted. He told Yosef that Menashe will be great, but Ephraim will be greater still. Yaakov told Yosef that God will eventually bring the people back to Cana'an.

Yaakov gathered together his sons to deliver a final message to them. Reuven was criticised for behaving impulsively; Shimon and Levi were criticised for aggression; Yehuda was given a leadership role; Zevulun would be successful as a sea merchant; Yissachar would bear the 'yoke' of Torah learning and Dan would be as great as Yehuda.

The tribe of Gad's battalions would fight wars successfully. Asher would receive a fertile portion of land and prosper, as would Naftali. Yaakov praised Yosef for overcoming his many challenges.

Yaakov hinted that King Saul, Mordechai and Esther would descend from Binyamin. Yaakov reiterated his burial instructions to his children and then died. Yosef fell on his dead father in tears. Yosef instructed doctors to embalm Yaakov. This process took 40 days, followed by 30 days of the Egyptians mourning Yaakov's death.

Yosef asked for permission from Pharaoh to bury his father in Cana'an. Pharaoh granted permission and sent a large entourage to accompany Yosef and his relatives. The brothers observed seven days of mourning. Yosef reassured his anxious brothers that he is still at peace with them.

Yosef committed to providing food for his brothers and their families. He made them take an oath to take his bones out of Egypt when the nation eventually leaves. Yosef died, aged 110. He is embalmed and placed in a coffin.

Shabbat Shalom, Rabbi Steven, Siobhan, Maya and Talia Dansky

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