This morning’s service is a part of VISITING CANOTRIAL STUDENT SHABBAT WITH JTS CANTORIAL STUDENT JACOB SANDLER

This afternoon following Kiddush INTRO TO MUSSAR WITH RABBI RACHEL AIN

Looking inward and at our own characteristics, this class will delve into how Judaism helps us understand various character traits and how we can better engage in the world in which we live.

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PARASHAT CHAYEI SARA


TORAH PORTION SUMMARY
In this Torah portion, Sara dies at the age of 127. Abraham searches for a place to bury her and settles on Machpelah. Abraham searches for a wife for his son, Isaac. Abraham sends his servant to find a wife for Isaac. The servant meets Rebecca at a well, where she provides water for him and his camels. Abraham marries Keturah and has six more sons. He then dies at the age of 175.

Please note: SPS will be closed this coming Thursday all day and Friday morning with regard to minyan. The schools and offices will be closed Wednesday afternoon, Thursday and Friday. We will have shabbat services next Friday night as normal.

CALL FOR PARTICIPATION – PURIM SHPIEL 5780!

Calling all SPS actors, singers, musicians, artists, writers, dancers, directors, designers, and technicians! The SPS Purim Shpiel needs YOU! Join Rabbinic Intern David Chapman on Wednesday, December 4 at 6 pm for a workshop/meeting/casting session as we start putting together our Purim Shpiel extravaganza! All ages welcome – dinner provided.
The Women’s League of Sutton Place Synagogue is making sure everyone can attend “Hello Gorgeous” at Temple Emanu-el. Join them on Thursday afternoon, December 5 at 2 pm

There will be a one-hour discussion with the curator, followed by light refreshments.

Cost: $20

Please complete the form on the lobby table. Reservations must be received by Monday, December 2.

For questions, please contact Barbara Zinn Moore at 646-246-2767 or bzinnmoore@gmail.com.

JOIN US FOR A SPECIAL KABBALAT SHABBAT
Friday, December 6th at 6:15 pm

We welcome everyone to sing with us at our Musical Service!

Rabbi Ain, Cantor Keren & pianist Gon Halevi, guitarist Omer Berger, vocalist Inbar Goldmann, percussionist Eran Fink and violinist Joel Arthur

Festive Oneg Shabbat to follow
Understanding AIPAC:
An evening to explore the mission and strategy of the
American Israel Public Affairs Committee

Join Rabbi Ain, David Chapman, and professionals from AIPAC as we delve into what this organization is all about and how we can get involved in strengthening the US-Israel Relationship.

The meeting will take place at SPS at 7 pm on December 11. Please rsvp to sps@spsnyc.org

There will be information about joining the Sutton Place Synagogue delegation to AIPAC’s Policy Conference in Washington March 1-3, 2020. Policy Conference is the largest and most diverse gathering of the pro-Israel community. Learn from experts, experience Israeli innovation, hear from world leaders and American and Israeli leaders from across the political spectrum, and lobby your representative. You can sign up for Policy Conference at www.policyconference.com

Please let Rabbi Ain know if you are planning on attending the conference.
**Shabbaton of Gratitude**
* A Community-Wide Celebration of One Another!

**Friday, December 13 at 5:30 pm**
KbalTOT Shabbat & Lite Bites

**Saturday, December 14**
Men’s Club Shabbat
Morning Services at 9:15 am

Study Mussar with Rabbi Ain
Shabbat Afternoon following kiddush

**Time for Teens at 4 pm**
8th-12th graders will meet at the Rabbis’ house to think about the blessings in their lives and join the larger community at 5 pm.

**Saturday, December 14 at 5 pm**
Community-Wide Havdalah of Gratitude

Let’s celebrate all who have given their time, talent, or treasure to SPS over the past several months. Your presence and commitment have made a difference.

We’ll begin with a moving Havdalah service followed by special opportunities to express our gratitude. The celebration will continue with Latkes and champagne to get us in the Chanukah mood.

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COMMUNITY LEARNING

THE ETHICAL WILLS PROJECT WITH RABBI AIN
Second Session: Monday, November 25 from 4:30-5:45 pm
Rabbi Ain will facilitate the The Jewish Ethical Wills Project at SPS. The two-session curriculum explores ethical wills as an authentic Jewish practice that helps to articulate values, look at issues of legacy, and navigate liminal moments. The Ethical Wills Project is an initiative of JTS’s Center for Pastoral Education and the Marlene Meyerson JCC Manhattan and is supported by a generous grant from the Charles H. Revson Foundation. RSVP to sps@spsnyc.org

SHAKESPEARE AND TORAH WITH RABBINIC INTERN DAVID CHAPMAN
Second Session - Saturday, December 7 following Kiddush
Fie on him, Jezebel! (Twelfth Night, Act II). This course will explore connections between William Shakespeare and one of his most important influences, the Hebrew Bible. Together we will look at similarities in language, style, theme, and theology between the two canons. No acting experience necessary! RSVP to sps@spsnyc.org

SHORT STORY ALOUD LED BY SYLVIA SLATIN KATZ
Monday, December 9 at 12:30 pm
Read and discuss a hand-picked selection of short stories. Arrive 15 minutes early to enjoy a light lunch. Class is free. Register by calling the office or emailing sps@spsnyc.org

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR LEARNING IN 2020
THE GREAT DEBATES: A JTS CURRICULUM TAUGHT BY RABBI AIN
Mondays, January 27, February 24, March 23, April 27, May 18 at 4:30 pm
Sign up for this exciting class where we will contemplate questions such as: Are religion and reason compatible? Can we change the siddur as our worldview evolves? The nature of brit: Is our relationship with God based on aw or love? Does the Holocaust play an outsized role in Jewish identity today? How do we teach about Israel? Love, loyalty, nuance and complexity? RSVP to sps@spsnyc.org
ANTI-SEMITISM AND THE HOLOCAUST
Monday, January 27 from 7:30-9 pm

Join fellow SPS Young Professionals and Rabbinic Intern David Chapman on International Holocaust Remembrance Day for an open dialogue about the legacy of the Holocaust, the resurgence of global anti-Semitism, and our moral responsibility as Jews to respond to both.

RSVP at spsny.org/ypspstalks
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### BIRTHDAYS

Richard Brand • Roberta Hershenson • Gladys Kanner
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Dennis Strom • Amy Uffner • Halle Wilf

### ANNIVERSARIES

David & Jennifer Bergenfeld • Flavio Kamenetz & Jennifer Bonheur
Charles Rose & Beatrice Schreter

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