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"וְהָיָה מִיָּדֵי זֶרַע בְּזֶדְדָּו, וּמִיָּדֵי שְׁבַת בְּשִׁבְתּוֹ"

*And it shall come to pass that from one New Moon to another,
and from one Sabbath to another*

(ישעיהו פרק סו פסוק כג)

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The New Moon: Friday (22.5.2020) at 11:42 a.m. and 13 *chalakim*

Kiddush Levana (Sanctification of the Moon):

from Monday night, the eve of 3 Sivan (25.5.2020) until Thursday night, the eve of 13 Sivan (4.6.2020) the entire night

Kiddush Levana (according to Oriental communities): from Saturday night, 7 Sivan (30.5.2020)

Sunday, 1 Sivan (24.5.2020) – Rosh Chodesh Sivan: In the Arvit prayer on Saturday night “Yaale v’Yavo”. “Vihi Noam” and “Atta Kadosh” is not recited. Customs as every Rosh Chodesh.

From Tuesday, 3 Sivan (26.5.2020) is the *Sh’loshet Y’mei Hagbala* (Three Days of Restriction). Until Friday, 12 Sivan (4.6.2020) *tachanun* is not recited, nor do we say *azkarat neshamot* or *yehi ratzon* after the Torah reading. During these days we do not fast, except for the bridegroom on his wedding day. We do recite *e-l erech appayim* and *lam’natzeach*.

Thursday, 5 Sivan (28.5.2020). *Eiruv Tavshilim* needs to be made so we can cook and prepare for Shabbat. We take some bread together with a little (*kazayit*) meat, egg or other cooked food which can be eaten with bread, we include others by means of our wife or grown child, and recite the *beracha* “...v’tzivanu ‘al mitzvat ‘eiruv”. Then we add “*bahadein ‘eruva yehei shara lana l’meifa ul’vashala ul’atmana ul’adlaka shraga ul-me’bad kol-tsarkhana mi-yoma tava l’shabata lanu ul-khol yisrael ha-darim ba’ir hazof*” (in English: “By means of this ‘eruv we will be permitted to bake and to cook and to light a fire and to do whatever we need from Yom Tov to Shabbat, we and all Jews living in this town”). It is permitted to do *Eiruv Tavshilim* until 18 minutes before sunset. If it was not done, a Rabbi can be asked for permission to be counted in his *Eiruv Tavshilim*.

Candle Lighting Times on Thursday, 5 Sivan, May 28, 2020

Shabbat begins		Shavuot ends		Shabbat begins		Shabbat begins			
Jerusalem	19:02	Jerusalem	20:20	New York	19:58	Melbourne	16:41	Madrid	21:06
Tel Aviv	19:19	Tel Aviv	20:22	Los Angeles	19:28	Johannesburg	17:00	Marbella	21:12
Beer Sheba	19:18	Beer Sheba	20:20	Paris	21:13	Buenos Aires	17:23	Toronto	20:22
Haifa	19:13	Haifa	20:24	London	20:35	Moscow	20:31	Warsaw	20:12
Eilat	19:03	Eilat	20:14	Amsterdam	21:18	Rome	20:05		

Friday, 6 Sivan (29.5.2020) – Chag Ha-Shavu’ot

Arvit: The prayer service is delayed to ensure completion of the days of the counting of the *Omer*. The prayers are those of *Yom Tov*. We recite “*vatodienu*”. *Shehecheyanu* is recited when lighting candles and at *Kiddush*. The blessings are recited in the following order: wine, *kiddush*, *zeman*. Some stay awake all night, studying Torah and reciting *tikkun leil Shavu’ot*.

Shacharit: In Jerusalem (and other places as well) there is a custom to pray early in the morning – *vatikin*. We recite *hallel shalem*, *kaddish titkabbal*, various *piyutim*, the Book of Ruth. If “Ruth” is read from a kosher scroll, we recite the *berachot*: ‘*al mikra megilla* and *shehecheyanu* (in the Diaspora “Ruth” is read on the second day of *Shavu’ot*). *Kaddish yatom*.

Torah reading: We take out two Torah scrolls; we recite *sh’losh ‘esreh middot*. We recite the *piyut* “*Akdamot*” after the *kohen* has come up for the Torah reading, but before he recites the *berachot* of the Torah. For the first Torah scroll we read from *Parashat Yitro*, from *bachodesh ha-shelishi* to the end of the *parasha*, and call up five men for this Torah reading. The ‘*aseret ha-dibberot* are read in the *ta’am ‘elyon* (upper case cantillation symbols); *chatzi kaddish* is recited. For the second Torah scroll we read from *Parashat Pinchas*, from *uv-yom ha-bikkurim* to *ve-niskeihem*. The *haftara* is read from Ezekiel, Chapter 1: *Vay-hi bish-loshim shana* to the end of the chapter, and we conclude with *Vatissa’eni ruah* (chapter 3, verse 12). A youngster under the age of *bar-mitzva* is not called up for *maftir*. *Hazkarat neshamot* (in Eretz-Yisrael), *av harachamim*, *mussaf* of *Yom Tov*, *ve-te’erav*, *birkat kohanim*, *kaddish titkabbal*, *shir shel yom* (Psalms 19): *ha-shamayim mesapperim*.

It is customary to eat dairy products and honey for breakfast, in accordance with the phrase from *Shir Ha-Shirim* 4:11: *devash ve-halav tachat leshonech*.

Mincha: as on *Yom Tov*.

Shabbat Parashat Naso, 7 Sivan (30.5.2020) –Isru Chag

Candle lighting. In the Shabbat night prayers *lechu neranena* and *lecha dodi* are not recited, and we begin from *mizmor shir leyom hashabat*. Some begin from *mizmor ledavid havu lahashem*... and they recite the last 4 paragraphs of *lecha dodi* like in *Shabbat Chol Ha’Moed*. Shabbat prayers.

Torah reading: 7 men are called up to read the weekly portion. The *Haftara* is read from Judges (*Shofetim*) 13:2 “*Vayhi ish echad mi-tzor'a*” to the end of the chapter. *Av Harachamim* is not recited.

Mincha: Three men are called up to read from *Parashat Beha'alotcha*. *Tsidkatkcha tsedek* is not recited. *Avot* Chapter 1.

[**Abroad:** *Yom Tov Sheini shel Galuyot*. *Yom Tov* prayer services, *hallel shalem*, the Scroll of Ruth. Two Torah scrolls are taken out; aand five men are called up to read the portion from *Parashat Re'e* (Deuteronomy 14:22) from the first, *aser te'aser* until the end of the *parasha: asher natan lach*., from the second scroll the *maftir* is read as the day before: *uv-yom ha-bikkurim*. The *haftara* is read from *Chabakkuk*, chapter 3; *Tefilla la-Chavakkuk* – to the end. Some add the *piyut* “*yatziv pitgam*”. *Yizkor*, *Mussaf* for *Yom tov* with the additions of *Shabbat*.]

Friday, 13 Sivan (5.6.2020): We start again to say *Tachanun*.

Candle Lighting Times for Shabbat - Friday, 13 Sivan, June 5, 2020

Shabbat begins		Shabbat ends		Shabbat begins		Shabbat begins			
Jerusalem	19:07	Jerusalem	20:24	New York	20:04	Melbourne	16:38	Madrid	21:11
Tel Aviv	19:23	Tel Aviv	20:27	Los Angeles	19:33	Johannesburg	16:59	Marbella	21:20
Beer Sheba	19:23	Beer Sheba	20:24	Paris	21:21	Buenos Aires	17:20	Toronto	20:28
Haifa	19:18	Haifa	20:28	London	20:44	Moscow	20:41	Warsaw	20:21
Eilat	19:07	Eilat	20:18	Amsterdam	21:27	Rome	20:11		

Shabbat Parashat Beha'alotcha, 14 Sivan (6.6.2020) [abroad: Parashat Naso]

Some are accustomed to reading from *vayhi ha'am ke-mit'onenim* to *ve-ha-man ke-zera' gad* softly. The flagship journeys is read in a more festive tone. in The *Haftara* is read from *Zechariah* 2:14: *ronni vesicmhi bat tzion* to chapter 4, verse 7: *teshu'ot chen chen lah*.

Mincha: Three men are called up to read from *Parashat Shlach*. *Avot*, Chapter 2.

Candle Lighting Times For Shabbat - Friday, 20 Sivan, June 12, 2020

Shabbat begins		Shabbat ends		Shabbat begins		Shabbat begins			
Jerusalem	19:10	Jerusalem	20:27	New York	20:08	Melbourne	16:38	Madrid	21:15
Tel Aviv	19:27	Tel Aviv	20:30	Los Angeles	19:36	Johannesburg	16:59	Marbella	21:23
Beer Sheba	19:25	Beer Sheba	20:27	Paris	21:26	Buenos Aires	17:20	Toronto	20:33
Haifa	19:21	Haifa	20:32	London	20:49	Moscow	20:48	Warsaw	20:26
Eilat	19:10	Eilat	20:21	Amsterdam	21:32	Rome	20:15		

Shabbat Parashat Shlach, 21 Sivan (13.6.2020) [abroad: Parashat Beha'alotcha]

The *Haftara* is read from *Yehoshua'* (Joshua), the entire chapter 2.

Mincha: Three men are called up to read from *Parashat Korach*. *Avot* chapter 3.

Candle Lighting Times For Shabbat - Friday, 27 Sivan, June 19, 2020

Shabbat begins		Shabbat ends		Shabbat begins		Shabbat begins			
Jerusalem	19:12	Jerusalem	20:29	New York	20:10	Melbourne	16:38	Madrid	21:18
Tel Aviv	19:29	Tel Aviv	20:33	Los Angeles	19:38	Johannesburg	17:00	Marbella	21:24
Beer Sheba	19:28	Beer Sheba	20:29	Paris	21:29	Buenos Aires	17:21	Toronto	20:35
Haifa	19:24	Haifa	20:34	London	20:52	Moscow	20:51	Warsaw	20:20
Eilat	19:12	Eilat	20:24	Amsterdam	21:35	Rome	20:18		

Shabbat Parashat Korach, 28 Sivan (20.6.2020) – Shabbat Mevarchin [abroad: Parashat Shlach]

The *Haftara* is read from *Shmuel I* (Samuel A), Chapter 11:14: *Vayomer Shmuel el ha'am to etchem lo la'am* (Chapter 12:22).

We bless the coming month of *Tammuz*, which falls on Monday and Tuesday, (June 22-23). *Av Ha-Rcahamim* is not recited.

The Molad: Sunday night (22.6.2020), at 12:26 p.m. (26 minutes past midnight) and 14 chalakim

Mincha: Three men are called up to read from *Parashat Chukat*. *Tsidkatkcha tsedek* is recited. *Avot*, Chapter 4.

Sunday, 29 Sivan (21.6.2020): Erev Rosh Chodesh **Tammuz**. *Yom Kippur Katan* prayers. *Tachanun* is not recited in *Mincha*.

Monday, 30 Sivan (22.6.2020): First day of Rosh Chodesh **Tammuz**. Rosh Chodesh Prayers.

With best wishes for a Good Month!

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