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"וְהָיָה מִיָּדֵי זֶדֶד בְּזֶדֶדְשׁוֹ, וּמִיָּדֵי שַׁבָּת בְּשַׁבָּתוֹ"

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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# Sivan 5781

May 12, 2021 – June 9, 2021

**The New Moon:** Tuesday night (11.5.2021) at 8:31 p.m. and 7 *chalamim*  
**Kiddush Levana (Sanctification of the Moon):**

from Saturday night, the eve of 4 *Sivan* (15.5.2021) until Tuesday night, the eve of 15 *Sivan* (26.5.2021) the entire night  
**Kiddush Levana** (according to Oriental communities): from Tuesday night, 8 *Sivan* (18.5.2021)

**Wednesday, 1 Sivan (12.5.2021) – Rosh Chodesh Sivan:** Rosh Chodesh prayers.

From Rosh Chodesh Sivan (12.5.2021) until 12 Sivan (23.5.2021) *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*.

From Tuesday, 3 Sivan (14.5.2021) is the *Sh'loshet Y'mei Hagbala* (Three Days of Restriction).

## Candle Lighting Times For Shabbat - Friday, 3 Sivan, May 14, 2021

Shabbat begins		Shabbat ends		Shabbat begins		Shabbat begins			
Jerusalem	18:53	Jerusalem	20:09	New York	19:45	Melbourne	16:50	Madrid	20:53
Tel Aviv	19:10	Tel Aviv	20:11	Los Angeles	19:18	Johannesburg	17:05	Marbella	21:01
Beer Sheba	19:09	Beer Sheba	20:09	Paris	20:56	Buenos Aires	17:30	Toronto	20:08
Haifa	19:04	Haifa	20:12	London	20:16	Moscow	20:06	Warsaw	19:52
Eilat	18:55	Eilat	20:04	Amsterdam	20:58	Rome	19:52		

### Shabbat Parashat B'midbar, 4 Sivan (15.5.2021)

The Haftara is read from *Hoshea* 2:1 – “v'haya mispar bnei yisrael” to verse 22 “v'yatada et hashem.” Av Harachamim is recited.

**Mincha:** Three men are called up to read from *Parashat Naso*. *Tsidkatkcha tsedek* is not recited. *Avot* Chapter 6.

**Mot'zei Shabbat** “*vihi noam*” and “*v'ata Kadosh*” are not recited.

## Candle Lighting Times on Sunday, 5 Sivan, May 16, 2021

Shabbat begins		Shavuot ends		Shabbat begins		Shabbat begins			
Jerusalem	18:54	Jerusalem	20:10	New York	19:47	Melbourne	16:49	Madrid	20:55
Tel Aviv	19:11	Tel Aviv	20:11	Los Angeles	19:20	Johannesburg	17:04	Marbella	21:03
Beer Sheba	19:11	Beer Sheba	20:11	Paris	20:58	Buenos Aires	17:24	Toronto	20:10
Haifa	19:05	Haifa	20:14	London	20:19	Moscow	20:10	Warsaw	19:55
Eilat	18:56	Eilat	20:06	Amsterdam	21:01	Rome	19:54		

### Monday, 6 Sivan (17.5.2021) – 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*. *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 five men are called up to read from *Parashat Yitro*, from *bachodesh ha-sheleishi* to the end of the *parasha*. 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 the *maftir* 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* for *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*. Havdalah for *Mot'zei Yom Tov*: Wine only.

**Tuesday, 7 Sivan (18.5.2021) – *Isru Chag* [abroad: second day of Shavuot]**

Some have a customary not to recite *El erech ha-payim* and *lam-natze'ach* in Shacharit, but some have a custom to recite them. It is forbidden to fast on this day, even a groom on his wedding day. Some have a customary to make a small *Seudah*.

[**Abroad:** *Yom Tov Sheini shel Galuyot*. *Yom Tov* prayer services, *hallel shalem*, the Scroll of Ruth. Two Torah scrolls are taken out; in the first five men are called up to read from *Parashat Re'e* (Deuteronomy 15:19) from *kol ha-bechor* until the end of the *parasha*: From the second Torah scroll, we read the *maftir*: *uv-yom ha-bikkurim*. The *haftara* is read from *Chabakkuk*, chapter 2; *vahashem behechal kodsho*. *Hazkarat Neshamot*.

**Candle Lighting Times for Shabbat - Friday, 10 Sivan, May 21, 2021**

Shabbat begins		Shabbat ends		Shabbat begins		Shabbat begins			
Jerusalem	18:57	Jerusalem	20:14	New York	19:52	Melbourne	16:45	Madrid	20:59
Tel Aviv	19:14	Tel Aviv	20:17	Los Angeles	19:23	Johannesburg	17:02	Marbella	21:07
Beer Sheba	19:14	Beer Sheba	20:14	Paris	21:05	Buenos Aires	17:26	Toronto	20:15
Haifa	19:09	Haifa	20:18	London	20:26	Moscow	20:19	Warsaw	20:02
Eilat	18:59	Eilat	20:09	Amsterdam	21:08	Rome	19:59		

**Shabbat Parashat Naso, 12 Sivan (26.5.18)**

The *Haftara* is read from Judges (*Shoftim*) 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'alotecha*. *Tsidkatkcha tsedek* is not recited. *Avot*, Chapter 1.

**Monday, 13 Sivan (24.5.2021):** We start again to say *Tachanun*.

**Candle Lighting Times For Shabbat - Friday, 17 Sivan, May 5, 2021**

Shabbat begins		Shabbat ends		Shabbat begins		Shabbat begins			
Jerusalem	19:02	Jerusalem	20:19	New York	19:58	Melbourne	16:41	Madrid	21:05
Tel Aviv	19:19	Tel Aviv	20:22	Los Angeles	19:28	Johannesburg	17:00	Marbella	21:12
Beer Sheba	19:18	Beer Sheba	20:19	Paris	21:13	Buenos Aires	17:22	Toronto	20:22
Haifa	19:13	Haifa	20:23	London	20:35	Moscow	20:30	Warsaw	20:12
Eilat	19:03	Eilat	20:14	Amsterdam	21:18	Rome	20:05		

**Shabbat Parashat Beha'alotecha, 18 Sivan (29.5.2021)**

Some are accustomed to read 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, 24 Sivan, June 4, 2021**

Shabbat begins		Shabbat ends		Shabbat begins		Shabbat begins			
Jerusalem	19:06	Jerusalem	20:23	New York	20:03	Melbourne	16:39	Madrid	21:10
Tel Aviv	19:23	Tel Aviv	20:26	Los Angeles	19:32	Johannesburg	16:59	Marbella	21:16
Beer Sheba	19:22	Beer Sheba	20:23	Paris	21:20	Buenos Aires	17:21	Toronto	20:27
Haifa	19:17	Haifa	20:27	London	20:43	Moscow	20:40	Warsaw	20:19
Eilat	19:07	Eilat	20:18	Amsterdam	21:26	Rome	20:10		

**Shabbat Parashat Shlach, 25 Sivan (5.5.2021)**

The *Haftara* is read from *Yehoshua'* (Joshua), the entire chapter 2. We bless the coming month of *Tammuz*, which falls on Thursday and Friday, (June 10-11, 2021). *Av Ha-Rcahamim* is not recited.

**The Molad: Thursday (11.6.2021), at 9:15 a.m. and 8 *chalakim***

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

**Wednesday, 29 Sivan (9.6.2021):** Erev Rosh Chodesh **Tammuz**. *Yom Kippur Katan* prayers. *Tachanun* is not recited in *Mincha*.

**Thursday, 30 Sivan (10.6.2021):** First day of Rosh Chodesh **Tammuz**. Rosh Chodesh Prayers.

**With best wishes for a Good Month!**

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