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"וְהָיָה בְיָמֵי זֶדְדִּי בְּזֶדְדִּי וּבְיָמֵי שֶׁבַת בְּשֶׁבַתוֹ"

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: Monday night (30.12.2024), at 5:33 p.m. and 16 *chalukim*

Kiddush Levana (Sanctification of the Moon):

from Thursday night, 3 *Tevet* (2.1.2025) to the end of Monday night, 14 *Tevet* (13.1.2025)

Kiddush Levana (according to Oriental communities): from Monday night, 8 *Tevet* (7.1.2025) at 5:34 p.m.

Tekufat Tevet: Monday, 6 *Tevet* (6.1.2025) at 10:30 a.m.

Seventh day of Chanuka, Wednesday, 1 Tevet, second day of Rosh Chodesh Tevet (1.1.2025)

Arvit. *yaale v'yavo, 'Al ha-nissim.*

Shacharit: *Rosh Chodesh* prayers with the additions for *Chanuka. Hallel Shalem.* Two Torah scrolls are taken out. In the first three men are called up to read from *Parashat Pinchas.* The second torah scroll is brought out, and the first Torah scroll is lifted. In the second scroll we read *ba-yom ha-shvi'i. Chatzi Kaddish. Ye'halelu, Ashrei, u'va Le'tzion, chatzi Kaddish, Mussaf for Rosh Chodesh. Al ha-nissim, Kaddish titkabel, aleinu, shir shel yom: barchi nafshi* and the rest of the prayer is like any other day.

Eighth day of Chanuka, Zot Chanuka, Thursday, 2 Tevet (2.1.2025)

Shacharit: as on the first day of *Chanuka.* The Torah reading is from: *bayom ha-sh'mini.* We call up three men: *Kohen: to m'le'a k'toret; Levi: to Gamliel ben Pedahzur, Sh'lishi: to ken 'asa et ha-m'nora* in *Parashat B'ha'alotkha.*

Shabbat Parashat Vayigash, 4 Tevet (4.1.2025)

The *Haftara* is *Ezekiel 37:15* till the end of the chapter. **Mincha:** Three men are called up to read from *Parashat Vayechi.*

Fast of the Tenth of Tevet (the tenth month in the Hebrew calendar), Friday, 10 Tevet (10.1.2025)

The fast in Israel begins at 4:55 a.m. The regular daily prayers are recited. In the Reader's repetition of the *Shmone Esrei, Anenu* is recited in *Shacharit* and *Mincha.*, between the blessings of *Goel Yisrael* and *Refaeinu.* Individuals recite *Anenu* in the *Shma Koleinu* blessing at **Mincha.** After the Reader's repetition in *Shacharit, Slichot* and *Avinu Malkeinu* are recited. The Torah reading is from *Parashat Ki Tisa* (*Shmot, 32:11*): *Vayechal,* and 3 people are called up to the Torah.

Mincha: The same Torah portion (*Vayechal*) is read, and the *Haftara* from *Isaiah 58 (Dirshu)* is read. If the *Mincha* prayer is after *plag hamincha: birkat kohanim, sim shalom, Avinu Malkeinu* and *Tachanun* are recited.

This year the tenth of *Tevet* falls on Friday, therefore *Mincha* should be recited earlier in order to have time for the Torah reading and *Maftir,* and the *Kohanim* can *duchen.* The fast in Israel ends at 5:17 p.m.

The Chief Rabbinate of Israel has marked the fast of the Tenth of Tevet as the Day of *Kaddish* for all those murdered in the Holocaust whose date of death is unknown. On the eve of the fast day, a memorial candle is lit, and Torah studied that day (usually *mishnayot*) is dedicated to their memory. Those who lost relatives in the Holocaust and don't know the date of their death observe this day as their *Yahrzeit* and recite *Kaddish* in their memory. In the morning prayers, after the Torah reading, a special memorial prayer for Holocaust victims is recited.

Azkara (Memorial Prayer) for Holocaust Victims For the General Day of Kaddish, the Tenth of Tevet

אל מלא רחמים, דיין אלמנות ואבי יתומים, אל נא תחשה ותתאפק לדם ישראל שנשפף פמים. תן מנוחה נכונה על פנפי השכינה, במעלות קדושים וטהורים כזהר הרקיע מזהירים, לנשמותיהם של שש מאות רבבות אלפי ישראל, אנשים ונשים, ילדים וילדות, שנהרגו ונשחטו ונשרפו ונטבחו ונחנקו ונקברו חיים בידי הצוררים. כלם קדושים וטהורים, ובהם גאונים וצדיקים, ארזי הלבנון ואדירי התורה, בגן עדן תהא מנוחתם. בעל הרחמים יצור בצרור החיים את נשמתם, ה' הוא נחלתם, ויזכר לנו עקדתם, ויעמד לנו ולכל ישראל זכותם. ארץ אל תכסי דמם, ואל יהי מקום לזעקתם. בזכותם נדחי ישראל לשובו לאתנתם, והקדושים לזכרון תמיד - נגד ה' צדקתם. יבואו שלום וינחו על משפכם, ונאמר אמן.

Shabbat, Parshat Vayechi, 11 Tevet (11.1.2025)

We finish reading the book of *Breishit – Shabbat Chazak.* One who has been called up as the seventh man to the Torah reading should refrain from saying *Chazak* until he recites the blessing at the end of the Torah reading. The *Haftara* is from *I Kings 2:1-12: Vayikrevu yemei-David lamut* until *vatikon malchuto me'od.*

Mincha: Three men are called to the Torah and read from *Parashat Shmot*.

[Some pious men have the custom of fasting every Thursday of *Shovabim*, the weeks when the portions of **Shmot**, **Va'era**, **Bo**, **Beshalach**, **Yitro** and **Mishpatim** are read. The custom is to consider these personal fast days. One should specify in the Mincha prayer the day before that he has decided to fast the next day.]

Shabbat, Parshat Shmot, 18 Tevet (18.1.2025)

Haftara is from Isaiah 27:6-28:13 *Haba'im yashresh Yaakov*, and then Isaiah 29:22-23 *Lachen ko amar Hashem* until *Elokai Yisrael Yaaritzu*. **Mincha:** Three men are called up to read the Torah from *Parashat Va'era*.

Shabbat, Parshat Va'era, 25 Tevet (25.1.2025) – Shabbat Mevarchin

Haftara is from Ezekiel 28:25 *Ko Amar* until the Chapter 29:21 *veyedu ki ani hashem*.

We announce Rosh Chodesh *Shvat* which will fall on **Thursday** (30.1.2025). *Av Harachamim* is not recited.

The Molad: Wednesday (29.1.2025), 6:17 a.m. and 17 chalakim

Mincha: Three men are called up to read the Torah from *Parashat Bo*.

Wednesday, 29 Tevet (29.1.2025): Eve of Rosh Chodesh Shvat. Prayers for *Yom Kippur Katan* are recited

With best wishes for a good month,

David Ben-Naeh

Candle Lighting Times For Shabbat - Friday, 3 Tevet, January 3, 2025

Shabbat begins		Shabbat ends		Shabbat begins		Shabbat begins			
Jerusalem	16:13	Jerusalem	17:29	New York	16:21	Melbourne	20:16	Madrid	17:31
Tel Aviv	16:28	Tel Aviv	17:30	Los Angeles	16:38	Johannesburg	18:41	Marbella	17:59
Beer Sheba	16:31	Beer Sheba	17:31	Paris	16:38	Buenos Aires	19:41	Toronto	16:26
Haifa	16:19	Haifa	17:28	London	15:36	Moscow	15:44	Warsaw	15:05
Eilat	16:24	Eilat	17:34	Amsterdam	16:10	Rome	16:21	Belmonte	16:58
								Lisbon	17:10

Candle Lighting Times For Shabbat - Friday, 10 Tevet, January 10, 2025

Shabbat begins		Shabbat ends		Shabbat begins		Shabbat begins			
Jerusalem	16:18	Jerusalem	17:34	New York	16:28	Melbourne	20:16	Madrid	17:37
Tel Aviv	16:34	Tel Aviv	17:35	Los Angeles	16:44	Johannesburg	18:41	Marbella	18:05
Beer Sheba	16:37	Beer Sheba	17:37	Paris	16:46	Buenos Aires	19:41	Toronto	16:33
Haifa	16:25	Haifa	17:33	London	15:45	Moscow	15:54	Warsaw	15:15
Eilat	16:29	Eilat	17:39	Amsterdam	16:19	Rome	16:28	Belmonte	17:04
								Lisbon	17:16

Candle Lighting Times For Shabbat - Friday, 17 Tevet, January 17, 2025

Shabbat begins		Shabbat ends		Shabbat begins		Shabbat begins			
Jerusalem	16:24	Jerusalem	17:40	New York	16:36	Melbourne	20:14	Madrid	17:45
Tel Aviv	16:40	Tel Aviv	17:41	Los Angeles	16:40	Johannesburg	18:41	Marbella	18:12
Beer Sheba	16:43	Beer Sheba	17:42	Paris	16:56	Buenos Aires	19:39	Toronto	16:42
Haifa	16:31	Haifa	17:39	London	15:56	Moscow	16:06	Warsaw	15:26
Eilat	16:35	Eilat	17:44	Amsterdam	16:30	Rome	16:36	Belmonte	17:02
								Lisbon	17:24

Candle Lighting Times For Shabbat - Friday, 24 Tevet, January 24, 2025

Shabbat begins		Shabbat ends		Shabbat begins		Shabbat begins			
Jerusalem	16:31	Jerusalem	17:46	New York	16:44	Melbourne	20:10	Madrid	17:53
Tel Aviv	16:46	Tel Aviv	17:47	Los Angeles	16:57	Johannesburg	18:39	Marbella	18:19
Beer Sheba	16:49	Beer Sheba	17:48	Paris	17:07	Buenos Aires	19:36	Toronto	16:51
Haifa	16:38	Haifa	17:45	London	16:07	Moscow	16:20	Warsaw	15:38
Eilat	16:41	Eilat	17:50	Amsterdam	16:42	Rome	16:45	Belmonte	17:20
								Lisbon	17:31



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