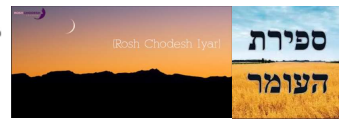




Magen Avot

Rosh Chodesh Iyar Edition



Shabbat 18 April 2026 / 1 Iyar 5786 (Rosh Chodesh) Omer Day 16					Parashat Tazria-Metzora / פרשת תזריע-מצרע				
Light From	Friday Mincha	שבת	שבת Chabura	שבת Shacharit	SZ Kriat Shema	Minis /Maxis	שבת Mincha	שבת Ends	Sunday Shacharit
6.33PM	7.15PM	7.46PM	9.15AM	9.30AM	9.30AM	10.45AM	7.53PM	8.53PM	8.20AM

Shabbat

Chabura: Baruch Zekaria

Magen Minis and Maxis: Meets at 10.45am.

Munchies Sponsor: To be announced.

Y@MA: Meets after Musaf kedusha.

Y@MA Sponsor: Golda and Stefan Bialoguski to celebrate Dinah's 13th birthday.

Kriat Hatorah: Dr David Cohen.

Parsha Pages can be found on page 2 of Daf HaShavua.

Shabbat Drasha: Rabbi Golker.

Today's Kiddush is sponsored by Muriel and Josh Abeles in celebration of Josh's birthday, and steadily improving fibula.

Post Mincha Speaker: Rabbi Pollak will speak on "The final triumph. The influence of kabbala in the 21st century".

Parsha Pages Can be found on Page 2 of Daf HaShavua

If congregants prefer, the pages can be added to the news-sheet-Please let the newsheet editor know your preference.

Y@MA SHABBAT LUNCH AT THE GOLKERS

Please see details on back sheet to book

Israeli Holidays

Yom Ha'Zikaron is on Tuesday 21 April 2026.

Yom Ha'Atzmaut is on Wednesday 22 April 2026.

Mizrachi Weekend of Inspiration 2nd May at Magen Avot

Rabbanit Shani Taragin will be speaking after Mussaf, and Rav Danny Mirvis will be speaking during the Seudah Shelishit.

Counting the Omer

OMER COUNTING

We are here Day 16

1-7, 8-14, 15-21, 22-28, 29-35, 36-42, 43-49, 50

Thanks to Z. Beider.

Union of Jewish Students (UJS) Road Show – May 10th

See back page for details.

HELP SHAPE THE NEXT 10 YEARS OF MAGEN AVOT

We have proudly celebrated 10 years of Magen Avot. Now we invite you to help build the next incredible decade of our community.

Whether you have time, skills, ideas, or simply enthusiasm, there is a place for everyone to get involved. Anything you can do, big or small, helps our community grow stronger, and more connected.

Email info@magenavot.com with your details and we will be in touch.

www.magenavot.com

Magen Avot

United Synagogue County No. 742352

Mazal Tov!

Mazal Tov to the Magen Avot Community for surviving eight and a half days of chametz free diet (and no whisky!!!).

HaMagen

For those who were away over Pesach, HaMagen (Magen Avot's bi-annual magazine), is available for collection in the shul.

AGM Council Elections

As we approach the AGM we are looking for volunteers to join the council from May 2026. The council is responsible for ensuring the smooth running of the shul, its services and programmes. There are also specific responsibilities that council members may wish to take on, including events planning, speaker booking, liaising with the school and OYH, kiddush arrangements, chesed committees and many others. If you are interested to learn more, please speak to any existing council members. Details of the AGM and Board nominations overleaf.

Kiddush Sponsorship

We have spare slots for Kiddush sponsors over the next few weeks. Book yours at <http://magenavot.com/sponsorships> or contact Marc Ovits on 07866 503 898.

Basement Access Reminder and Buggy Policy

Parents are kindly asked to remind their children that the basement area is strictly out of bounds throughout Shabbat. Please help us keep all areas of the Shul safe and tidy by ensuring children remain upstairs. Buggies may only be brought indoors under the direction of security who are aware of the buggy policy.

Newsletter News

Additional announcements will be sent via WhatsApp Groups:-
Join the Broadcast Group: <https://tinyurl.com/mabroadcast>
Join the Social Group: <https://tinyurl.com/masocialgroup>

Yahrzeits

20/04/2026	3 Iyar 5786	Ruth Ehreich	Father
22/04/2026	5 Iyar 5786	Cathy Fisher	Father
22/04/2026	5 Iyar 5786	Donna Deena Jacobs	Father
24/04/2026	7 Iyar 5786	David Berke	Father
24/04/2026	7 Iyar 5786	Eileen Brookes	Husband
24/04/2026	7 Iyar 5786	Stewart Brookes	Father
24/04/2026	7 Iyar 5786	Jeremy Trent	Mother

AGM ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Magen Avot Annual General Meeting and elections of the new board and executive members

We are pleased to invite all members to Magen Avot's Annual General Meeting on **17 May 2026 at 6.30 pm, held at Shul**. This is a vital opportunity to review the past year, discuss future plans, and to welcome the new board and executive members. Your involvement ensures our kehillah continues to thrive.

NOTICE OF MAGEN AVOT AGM 2026

This gives notice that the AGM (Annual General Meeting), for Magen Avot will be held on **Sunday 17th May 2026 at 6.30pm prompt** at 48 Finchley Lane, NW4 1DJ. The election if one is required, will commence in person at **1.30pm and will close at 6.30pm on the 17th May 2026.**

We would like to announce that Patti Adler (Vice Chair), Fiona Taylor (Women's Officer) and Elkan Adler (Warden) are stepping down from their roles. We sincerely thank them for their incredible contributions and the outstanding work they've done for the community.

The following Local Honorary Officers have surpassed their current terms under the bye-laws of the US and cannot be re-nominated.

Daniel Ehreich (Warden)

However under the United Synagogue Bye-Laws in the event of there being no other person nominated for election to any Local Honorary Officer position (Chair, Financial Representative, either or both Gabbaim (Wardens) and/or Women's Officer) then the previous incumbent(s) may continue in the position, subject to the Council recommendation and US Trustee ratification.

All members are invited to nominate themselves and/or others for any of the roles by adding the names to the Nomination Form (see below for URL). This must be completed and received by **NO LATER THAN 12.00pm on Monday 27th April 2026.** All nominations received after that time or containing a greater number of names than there are respective offices to fill, will be invalid. Should you have any issue with the online form please contact me at admin@magenavot.com. I will be able to assist you. If your email address is shared with another member of your household, or if they do not have an email address, paper forms will be sent instead.

For this AGM, I am the Elections Officer for Magen Avot. Should an election take place a Presiding officer will be nominated by the Honorary officers and candidates.

The Honorary officer positions that need to be nominated are:

1. Chair
2. Vice-Chair
3. 2 Gabbaim (wardens)
4. 1 Women's Officer
5. 5 male members of the Magen Avot Council
6. 5 female members of the Magen Avot Council

The Chairman, Vice-Chairman, two Gabbaim, and the Women's Officer, will make up the 2026/2027 Honorary officers, The Financial Representative is for a two year term and will complete in 2027.

Qualifications for Standing as a Candidate or voting

To be eligible to stand for election, a candidate for any post must have been at the time of the election:

- A member of Magen Avot on the nomination date
- Eighteen years old or over and paying membership
- A member of a United Synagogue or an Affiliate or Associate synagogue for the whole of the twelve months immediately preceding the date of the election, and
- Who is not, at the time of the election, more than a year in arrears in payment of their membership subscriptions.

No person shall be duly nominated unless he or she shall have been nominated by at least three members who are themselves qualified to vote (or nominate) under the United Synagogue Byelaws.

Please note that a candidate will not be eligible for election unless he or she has signed (online) that he or she is willing to stand for election and to act in accordance with the terms of the United Synagogue Constitution.

A candidate may not stand for more than one local Honorary Officer position.

Should there be an election, please note that a list of candidates, who have been duly nominated for various positions, will be displayed in the hall upstairs at Nancy Reuben school from 1.30pm on the day of the election, and will be circulated electronically to members by the 7th May 2026

Yours sincerely

Daniella Radomsky - Administrator for Magen Avot and Elections Officer for the 2026 AGM

**MAGEN AVOT SYNAGOGUE
Annual General Meeting
Sunday 17 May 2026 6.30 p.m.**

AGENDA

1. Welcome from the Chairman
2. Chairman's Report
3. Financial Representative Report
4. Results of Election to Synagogue Executive and Council
5. AOB

Nomination Forms:

<https://forms.office.com/pages/responsepage.aspx?id=HTqO9pfR5ki1hZz02FwWip-Css6Qo79CkHRoGfiu0yFUNjYJSkZLS0NIRDBZWFJaUkVZVjkzRUJJUS4u&route=shorturl>

Save the date...

**Y@MA
SHABBAT
LUNCH @
THE GOLKERS**

25TH APRIL



**Tefillah at Magen
Avot**

**or meet at the
Golkers at 1:00pm**

Sign up using the form
below by Sunday 19th
April:

A reminder to sign your kids up for Shabbat lunch at the Golkers on 25th April 🎉🕒

We would love for every Y@MA participant to be there. 😊

Sign up here by next Sunday 19th April (the earlier the better, as late signups may cause us to be unaware of catering numbers). 📅

🔗 <https://myus.theus.org.uk/events/162127/friday-night-dinner/>



CAMPUS ROADSHOW



SIGN UP NOW!

SUNDAY 10TH MAY

On Sunday 10th May, UJS will be running another Campus Roadshow, where sixth formers will be able to visit Leeds and Nottingham, get a tour of campus from current students and meet the chaplains! The entire trip is free though there is a small deposit that participants can request back after the trip. This is limited capacity so sign up now to get your place!

https://www.ujs.org.uk/ujsix_north_campus_roadshow_26_27