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”וְהָיָה בְּיָמֵי זֶדְדָּשׁ בְּזֶדְדָּשׁוֹ, וּבְיָמֵי 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)

Table of Laws and Customs for Jewish Communities

Kislev 5779

November 8, 2018 - December 7, 2018

The New Moon: Thursday morning (8.11.18), at 9:45 a.m. and 12 *Chalakim*

Kiddush Levana (Sanctification of the Moon):

from Sunday night, the eve of 4 *Kislev* (11.11.18) to Thursday night, the eve of 15 *Kislev* (22.11.18) at 4:07 a.m.

Kiddush Levana (according to Oriental communities): from Thursday night, the eve of 8 *Kislev* (15.11.18)

Thursday, 30 Marcheshvan (8.11.18): First day of *Rosh Chodesh Kislev*

Friday, 1 Kislev (9.11.18) – Second day of Rosh Chodesh Kislev:

Arvit: Ya'aleh ve-yavo. Shacharit: after *Parshat Ha-tamid* one says *Uv'rashei Chodsheichem*. In the *'Amida: ya'aleh ve-yavo. Chatzi hallel; kaddish titkabbal;* a *sefer torah* is taken out, and we read from *Parashat Pinchas (B'midbar [Numbers] 28): Vay'dabber Hashem el Moshe: tsav et B'nei Yisrael* until *v'nisko*. Four men are called up to this reading.

Those who pray in Nusach S'farad and Ashkenazi chassidim: for “cohen” read from *vay'dabber* to *'olah tamid*; for “levi” – they read *et ha-keves* to *nichoach lashem*; for “sh'lishi” – from *'olat tamid* to *v'nisko*; for “r'vi'i” – from *uv'rashei hodsheichem* to *v'nisko*. This is followed by *hatzi kaddish, y'hallelu, ashrei, uva l'tzion*. It is the *minhag* of the *hassidim* to recite *ashrei* and *uva l'tzion* before returning the *sifrei torah* to the *aron*. Then we remove our *tefillin* and recite the *rosh chodesh mussaf* prayer; *kaddish titkabbal, 'aleinu; shir shel yom, barechi nafshi, and ein kelokeinu*.

The minhag of our oriental communities: the *Arvit* prayer begins with *barechi nafshi*. In the *Amida* – *ya'aleh ve-yavo. Hallel* is recited, omitting the two sections and without reciting the *beracha, Kaddish titkabbal. V'Avraham zaken* is recited, followed by *b'rich sh'meh*. The *sefer torah* is brought out, and four men are called up to the reading (from *Parashat Pinchas, B'midbar 28:1*) from *Vay'dabber Hashem el Moshe* etc., as follows: for “cohen”, from *Vay'dabber* to *'olah tamid*; for “levi”, from *v'amarta lahem* to *r'vi'it ha-hin*; for “sh'lishi”, from *'olat tamid* to *v'nisko*; and for “r'vi'i”, from *Uv'rashei chodsheichem* to *v'nisko*. *Chatzi kaddish, ashrei, uva letzion, beit ya'akov, shir ha-maalot, mizmor shel yom, hoshi'enu*. The *sefer torah* is returned to its place. *Tefillin* are removed and after *Chatzi kaddish* the *rosh chodesh musaf* prayer is recited. After the *sheliach tzibbur's* repetition, *kiddish titkabbal, barchi nafshi, kaddish yehe shelama, kaveh el Hashem* and *pittum ha'ktoret, aleinu l'shabbeach*.

The minhag of the Ashkenazim-Perushim in Eretz-Israel: as HaGra, the *torah* is read for “cohen” up until *'olah tamid*, for “levi” from *et ha-keves* to *nichoach lashem*, for “sh'lishi” from *olat tamid* to *v'nisko*; and for “r'vi'i”, from *Uv'rashei chodsheichem* to *v'nisko*. In **Birkat Hamazon:** *ya'aleh ve-yavo*.

Candle Lighting Times For Shabbat - Friday, 1 Kislev, November 9, 2018

Shabbat begins		Shabbat ends		Shabbat begins		Shabbat begins			
Jerusalem	16:08	Jerusalem	17:20	New York	16:23	Melbourne	19:33	Madrid	17:32
Tel Aviv	16:24	Tel Aviv	17:22	Los Angeles	16:24	Johannesburg	18:06	Marbella	17:58
Beer Sheba	16:26	Beer Sheba	17:23	Paris	16:49	Buenos Aires	19:01	Toronto	16:31
Haifa	16:15	Haifa	17:20	London	15:51	Moscow	16:07	Warsaw	14:47
Eilat	16:15	Eilat	17:24	Amsterdam	16:27	Rome	16:25		

Shabbat, Parshat Toldot, 4 Kislev (10.11.18)

The *Haftara* is read from Malachi 1 "*masa dvar hashem*" until "*mal'ach hashem ze'vaot hou*".

Mincha: Three men are called up to read from Parshat *VaYetzei*.

Candle Lighting Times For Shabbat - Friday, 8 Kislev, November 16, 2018

Shabbat begins		Shabbat ends		Shabbat begins		Shabbat begins			
Jerusalem	16:04	Jerusalem	17:17	New York	16:17	Melbourne	19:41	Madrid	17:26
Tel Aviv	16:19	Tel Aviv	17:18	Los Angeles	16:20	Johannesburg	18:11	Marbella	17:52
Beer Sheba	16:22	Beer Sheba	17:19	Paris	16:40	Buenos Aires	19:08	Toronto	16:23
Haifa	16:11	Haifa	17:16	London	15:41	Moscow	15:54	Warsaw	14:36
Eilat	16:11	Eilat	17:21	Amsterdam	16:16	Rome	16:18		

Shabbat Parashat Vayetzei, 9 Kislev (17.11.18)

The *Haftara* is read from *Hoshea* 12:13: *Vayivrach Ya'akov s'de Aram* till the end of book, and in order to complete with good, some add *Yoel* 2:26-27: *va'achaltem... v'lo yevoshu ami leolam*.

Mincha: Three men are called up to read from *Parashat Vayishlach*.

Tuesday, 12 Kislev (20.11.18): If one is uncertain as to whether he said *v'ten tal u'matar*, he is not required to repeat the *Amida*, for he has already recited it 90 times.

Candle Lighting Times For Shabbat - Friday, 15 Kislev, November 23, 2018

Shabbat begins		Shabbat ends		Shabbat begins		Shabbat begins			
Jerusalem	16:01	Jerusalem	17:14	New York	16:12	Melbourne	19:49	Madrid	17:22
Tel Aviv	16:17	Tel Aviv	17:16	Los Angeles	16:16	Johannesburg	18:16	Marbella	17:49
Beer Sheba	16:20	Beer Sheba	17:17	Paris	16:33	Buenos Aires	19:15	Toronto	16:18
Haifa	16:08	Haifa	17:14	London	15:32	Moscow	15:44	Warsaw	14:27
Eilat	16:08	Eilat	17:19	Amsterdam	16:07	Rome	16:13		

Shabbat, Parashat Vayishlach, 16 Kislev (24.11.18)

The *Haftara* is read from the book of *Ovadiah*.

Mincha: Three men are called to the Torah reading from *Parashat Vayeshev*.

Candle Lighting Times For Shabbat - Friday, 22 Kislev, November 30, 2018

Shabbat begins		Shabbat ends		Shabbat begins		Shabbat begins			
Jerusalem	15:59	Jerusalem	17:14	New York	16:09	Melbourne	19:56	Madrid	17:19
Tel Aviv	16:15	Tel Aviv	17:15	Los Angeles	16:15	Johannesburg	18:22	Marbella	17:46
Beer Sheba	16:18	Beer Sheba	17:16	Paris	16:28	Buenos Aires	19:21	Toronto	16:14
Haifa	16:06	Haifa	17:13	London	15:26	Moscow	15:36	Warsaw	14:21
Eilat	16:06	Eilat	17:19	Amsterdam	16:01	Rome	16:10		

Shabbat, Parashat Vayeishev, 23 Kislev (1.12.18)

The *Haftara* is read from *Amos* 2:6 to 3:8: *ko amar hashem* until ch. 3:8 *mi lo yinave*. We bless the month of *Tevet* which begins on Saturday and the following Sunday (8-9.12.2016). *Av Harachamim* is not recited.

The Molad: Friday night (7.12.18), 10:29 p.m. and 13 chalakim

Mincha: three men are called up to the Torah reading from *Parashat Miketz*.

Monday, 25 Kislev (3.12.18) – the first day of Chanuka

After Sunday's *Mincha* prayer, the *shliach-tzibbur* lights a *Chanuka* candle in the synagogue to remind everyone of the miracle (some light before *'aleinu*). The *hanukkiyah* is placed on the southern side, in memory of the Temple *menorah*, and three *b'rachot* are recited: *l'hadlik; she'asa nissim; shehecheyanu*. One does not fulfill one's obligation with the candle lit in the synagogue. If the *shliach tzibbur* has no one to light for at home, he does not recite *shehecheyanu* a second time. In most synagogues it is the custom to light the *Hanukka* candle after the *mincha* service; then the *'arvit* service is recited, and everyone goes home to light candles there. In the opinion of most *posekim*, the time to light *Chanuka* candles during the week is immediately after *tzeit ha-kochavim* (nightfall, when the first stars become visible). According to the Vilna Gaon – the proper time is at sunset, and *b'di'avad* – all night.

In a single-storey house one places the *Chanukiya* outside, to the left of the entrance into the house, 10 cm. from the entrance, at a height of between 30 cm. and 100 cm. above ground level. One must not light the candles where the wind is liable to blow them out. If it is not possible to light the candles next to the entrance, or a person who lives in a building of several stories, the candles are to be lit inside, to the right of a window. It is proper to perform the *mitzva* in the best way – using olive oil. The candles should be separated from one another, so as not to look like a bonfire.

The Berachot of the Lighting: *l'hadlik; she'asa nissim* and, on the first day, *shehecheyanu* – followed by *ha-neirot hallalu*.

Duration of the burning of the candles: at least a half-hour. One must light the candles in a place where there is no wind to blow them out. It is forbidden to make use of their light, nor are we to light one candle from another. If the candles go out in less than half an hour, it is the custom to re-light them without reciting any *beracha*. If one has to leave his house before sunset, he can light the candles from *p'lag ha-mincha* (3:32 p.m. in Israel), on condition that the candles burn for a full half-hour after sunset (5:20 p.m. in Israel). According to the custom where one lights only after nightfall, the candles have to burn until about 5:40 p.m. (in Israel). Women, too, are obliged to partake of this *mitzva*. During all eight days of *Chanuka* one recites *'al ha-nissim* in both the *'amida* and in *birkat ha-mazon*.

The custom of our Oriental communities is to recite *mizmor hanukkat ha-bayit l'david* after *ha-neirot hallalu*. Some are accustomed to reciting *viyhi no'am* and *yoshev b'seter 'elyon* for purposes of protection.

Shacharit: It is customary to light *Hanukka* candles in the synagogue during the morning prayer as well, without pronouncing any *berakha*, for increasing awareness of the miracle. *Hallel shalem* is recited all eight days, followed by *Chatzi kaddish*.

The Torah is read from *Parashat Naso* (*B'midbar* 7:1): *vayhi b'yom k'lot moshe* – and three men are called up for this reading. *Kohen:* until *la'chanukat ha-mizbeach*; *Levi:* until *m'le'a k'toret*; *Sh'lishi:* until *Nachshon ben Amminadav*. This is followed by *Shir shel yom: mizmor shir hanukkat ha-bayit* (Psalms 30).

In the synagogue, candles are lit after the *Mincha* service.

Second Day of Chanuka, Tuesday, 26 Kislev (4.12.18)

Two *b'rachot* are recited: *I'hadlik* and *she'asa nissim*. We begin to light with the additional candle that was lit on left side [according to the *Gr"o* on all days, we begin to light from the first candle which is closest to the opening].

Shacharit: The prayer service is the same as yesterday. The Torah is read from *Ba-yom ha-sheni*: *Kohen*: until *la'Chanukat hamizbeach*; *Levi*: until *Netan'el ben Tzu'ar*; *Sh'lishi*: repeats from *Ba-yom ha-sheni* until *Netan'el ben Tzu'ar*.

Third Day of Chanuka, Wednesday, 27 Kislev (5.12.18)

Shacharit: The prayer service is the same as yesterday. The Torah is read from *Ba-yom ha-shlishi*, and division is like the previous day.

Arvit: Outside Israel, we begin to recite *v'ten tal u-matar* in the 'Amida of 'Arvit.

Fourth day of Chanuka, Thursday, 28 Kislev (6.12.18)

Chanuka prayers. The Torah reading is from *Parashat Naso*: *Kohen*: *ba-yom ha-revi'i*, until *m'le'a k'toret*; *Levi*: *par echad* until *elitzur ben s'deur*; *Sh'lishi*: repeats from *ba-yom ha-revi'i*, and division is like second day of Chanuka.

Fifth day of Chanuka, Friday, 29 Kislev (7.12.18)

Chanuka prayers like the first day. The Torah: *ba-yom ha-hamishi*, divides up as the previous day. Erev *Rosh Chodesh*.

Candle Lighting Times For Shabbat - Friday, 29 Kislev, December 11, 2018

Shabbat begins		Shabbat ends		Shabbat begins		Shabbat begins			
Jerusalem	15:59	Jerusalem	17:14	New York	16:08	Melbourne	20:02	Madrid	17:17
Tel Aviv	16:15	Tel Aviv	17:15	Los Angeles	16:15	Johannesburg	18:27	Marbella	17:46
Beer Sheba	16:18	Beer Sheba	17:17	Paris	16:25	Buenos Aires	19:27	Toronto	16:13
Haifa	16:06	Haifa	17:13	London	15:23	Moscow	15:31	Warsaw	14:17
Eilat	16:06	Eilat	17:19	Amsterdam	15:57	Rome	16:08		

Shabbat, Parashat Miketz, Sixth Day of Chanuka, 30 Kislev (8.12.18)

We light Chanuka candles 25 minutes before sunset (in Jerusalem, too, where candle-lighting takes place earlier every Shabbat eve), to enable the candles to burn half an hour after nightfall. When lighting the Chanuka candles, two *berachot* are recited: *I'hadlik* and *she'asa nissim*. Immediately after lighting Chanuka candles, the Shabbat candles are lit. The candles lit should burn for half an hour after nightfall.

Kabbalat Shabbat and the prayer service is the same as on every Shabbat. 'al ha-nissim is recited in the 'Amida and in *birkat ha-mazon*.

The custom of our Oriental communities: in the 'Arvit service, *ba-meh madlikin* is not recited. *Kol Yisrael* is said, and then *amar Rabbi Eleazar, Kaddish 'al Yisrael*. In the 'Amida, 'al ha-nissim is said.

Shacharit: the Shabbat prayer service, 'al ha-nissim, *hallel shalem*. Three *Sifrei Torah* are brought out; in the first we read *Parashat Miketz* and six are called up to this Torah reading. In the second scroll, the seventh person reads in *Parashat Naso* "*uveyom hashabat*", "*u'veroshai chodshechem*". We place the second scroll near the first scroll on the *bima*. *Chatzi kaddish*. In the third we read *maftir* in *Parashat Naso*: *ba-yom ha-shishi*.

The *Haftara* is read from *Zecharia 2:14*: *Ronni v'simchi bat-Zion*, until *4:7*: *chen chen lah*. *Av ha-rachamim* is not recited. *Mussaf* for Shabbat and *Rosh Chodesh*: *atta yatzarta*.

Some add in the *mussaf* prayer, before *Baruch atta HaShem, mekaddesh ha-shabbat ve-Yisrael*: - *kaddesheinu be-mitzvotecha ve-ten chelkeinu be-toratecha* – as on every Shabbat, *al ha-nissim, Shir shel yom: mizmor shir l'yom hashabat*, and some add *mizmor shir chanukat ha-bayit* as is recited all through Chanuka.

Mincha: three men are called up to the Torah reading from *Parashat Vayiggash*. 'Al ha-nissim. We do not recite *tzidkatekha tzedek*.

Tevet

Seventh day of Chanuka, Sunday, Rosh Chodesh Tevet (9.12.18)

Arvit. *Ata chonantanu, Yaale v'yavo*, 'Al ha-nissim, *v'yhi no'am, v'atta kadosh*. In the synagogue we light Chanuka candles and then recite *havdala*; at home first we recite *havdala* and then light the candles. *Boreh me'orei ha'esh* is not recited over the Chanuka candles, as we are not to benefit from their light.

Shacharit: *Rosh Chodesh* prayers with the additions for Chanuka. Two Torah scrolls are taken out. In the first read from *Pinchas* and three men are called up for this Torah reading. (*Kohen*: from *Vaydaber* to *r'vi'it ha-hin*; *Levi*: from 'olat tamid to *v'niskah*; *Sh'lishi*: from *uv'rashei chodsheichem* to *v'nisko*). The second torah scroll is brought out, and the first Torah scroll is lifted. In the second scroll we read *ba-yom ha-sh'vi'i*. *Chatzi Kaddish*. *Mussaf* for *Rosh Chodesh*. *Al ha-nissim, Kaddish titkabel, aleinu, shir shel yom: barchi nafshi, ein ke'elokeinu*.

Eighth day of Chanuka, Zot Chanuka, 2 Tevet (10.12.18)

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 Pedahtzur*; *Sh'lishi*: to *ken 'asa et ha-m'nora* in *Parashat B'ha'alotekha*.

With best wishes for a Good Month and Happy Chanuka!

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