# GPARENCY



my father, Rav Meir Zlotowitz zt"l, made sure his family was up to date on *from the mundane, to the profound, to the 'thanks for reminding me!'* 

# Parashas Tetzaveh 5784 February 23rd • 14 Adar I

## <u> Pu</u>rim Katan

This Friday and Shabbos, February 23rd-24th, is the 14th and 15th of Adar Rishon and are commemorated as Purim Katan and Shushan Purim Katan during a leap year. *Tachanun* is not recited and is also omitted at Mincha on Thursday, February 22nd, the day prior to Purim Katan. *Lam'natzeiach* is omitted on Friday. *Av Harachamim* and *Tzidkascha* are omitted on Shabbos. The Rema concludes his glosses to the Shulchan Aruch Orach Chaim (697) with the words *V'tov lev mishteh tamid - a good heart feasts continuously*, and writes that although Purim will be celebrated next month, one should add a small festive meal on Purim Katan as well, in recognition of the miracle of Purim.

#### **Were Reminders**

This is the eighth and final week of Shovavim (TaT).

In light of the precarious situation in Eretz Yisrael, each person should increase reciting *tehillim* or performing other *mitzvos* as a *zechus* for the many *Acheinu Beis Yisrael* 'in travail and captivity'.

The final opportunity for Kiddush Levanah in the USA is tonight, Friday night, February 23rd.

Daf Yomi - Friday: Bavli: Bava Kamma 113. The *siyum* on Bava Kamma is this Thursday, February 29th; Mazal Tov! Next is Bava Metzia, which contains 118 blatt • Yerushalmi: Terumos 52 • Mishnah Yomis: Nedarim 2:2-3 • Oraysa: Next week is Yoma 66b-68b.

Make sure to call your parents, in-laws, grandparents and Rebbi to wish them a good Shabbos. If you didn't speak to your kids today, make sure to connect with them as well!

## Mext on the Calendar

Purim Katan is today, Friday, February 23rd. Shushan Purim Katan is on Shabbos, February 24th.

#### 间 Parshah in a Paragraph

**Tetzaveh:** First squeezed olive oil should be used for the Menorah • Appointment of the Kohanim and description of their sacred clothing • Additional garments worn only by the Kohen Gadol include the *Ephod* (an apron). The *Choshen* (a breastplate with precious stones inscribed with the names of the Shevatim; it also contains the *Urim V'Tumim*, a parchment on which a most holy Name of Hashem was written). The *Me'il* (a techeiles-dyed robe, its bottom hem adorned with gold bells and cloth 'pomegranates'). The *Tzitz* (a foreheadplate) • Consecration and anointing of Aharon and his sons • The *Korban* 'Tafnid • Description of the *Avodas haKetores* and the *Mizbeiach HaKetores* • The *Ketores* will be offered twice daily, plus a third time on Yom Kippur.

Haftarah: The *parashah* continues to discuss the Mishkan and its inauguration. Yechezkel (43:10-27) was shown *b'nevuah* the third Beis Hamikdash and its inauguration, may it be built speedily in our days. The Medrash (Tanchumah Tzav 14) writes that Yechezkel questioned the need to know all the details of the Beis Hamikdash while we are still in *galus.* Hashem responded that the reading of these verses is equal to engaging in the building of the Beis Hamikdash.

#### 613 Taryag Weekly

**Tetzaveh:** 101 Pesukim • 4 Obligations • 3 Prohibitions

 Prepare the Menorah in the morning and kindle it in the evening. 2) *Kohanim* must wear the *Bigdei Kehunah* when serving. 3) The *Choshen* shall not be detached from the *Ephod*. 4) Do not tear the *Me'il*. 5) Kohanim shall eat their portions of *korbanos* and *terumah*. 6) A Kohen shall offer *ketores* twice daily on the *Mizbeiach Haketores*.
Do not bring any sacrifices on the *Mizbeiach Haketores*.

Mitzvah highlight: When one performs a mitzvah, Hashem bestows His blessing in a manner that corresponds to the way the mitzvah was done. By performing the mitzvah of *Lechem Hapanim* with bread, we draw Hashem's blessings on our bread so that we will have sufficient food and sustenance.

## For the Shabbos Table

" הְאָהָה הְצְוָה אֶת־בְּנֵי יִשְׂרְאַל וְיָקְחוּ אָלָיְדּ שֶׁמֶן וֵיִת וֶדְ And you will command the Bnei Yisrael that they shall take for you clear olive oil" (Shemos 27:20)

The Baal Haturim explains that *"Tzav"* in this *pasuk* means to be *mezarez*, to encourage and persuade in this mitzvah of Menorah. By the *Korban Tamid* as well the word Tzav indicates the same, as these two daily mitzvos entailed an expense. For the Menorah only the first drop of each olive was used, and the *korbanos tamid* did not provide leftover

meat or the like for the Kohanim's consumption. Therefore the performance of these mitzvos required Moshe's encouragement. Now, one may question that surely the actual building of the Mishkan was far more of an expense than these amounts of oil. If so, why is there a concern for laxity in this area?

Ray Elva Baruch Finkel z" explains that something which occurs daily and comes at a cost is prone to lose its excitement and gleam quite quickly. It is common that when institutions begin a 'once-in-a-lifetime' building campaign or similar campaign, people are likely to give easily and generously. Yet, when the same institution requires funds for the day-to-day expenses, people have a harder time contributing. We must recognize that the entire purpose of the edifice is only to facilitate the continued learning and growth within it. The Midrash in Vayikra in fact explains that our pasuk is referring not only to the Mishkan, but also to the Mikdash Me'at in all future generations - meaning, our Shuls and Batei Medrash. One should overcome feelings of staleness and recognize the opportunity he has in facilitating and fueling Harbatzas Torah and communal causes on a constant and regular basis.

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Parshas Tetzaveh | February 23-24

	ר״ת	שקיעה שבת	סקש גר״א שבת	סקש מ״א שבת	שקיעה Friday Night	הדלקה עש״ק	פלג מנחה עש״ק
Atlanta	7:41	6:29	10:01	9:24	6:28	6:10	5:18
Baltimore	7:04	5:52	9:33	8:53	5:51	5:33	4:42
Boston	6:39	5:27	9:12	8:31	5:26	5:08	4:17
Catskills	6:54	5:42	9:26	8:45	5:41	5:23	4:32
Chicago	6:46	5:34	9:19	8:37	5:33	5:13	4:24
Cleveland	7:22	6:10	9:54	9:14	6:09	5:51	5:01
Detroit	7:27	6:15	10:00	9:19	6:14	5:56	5:05
Lakewood	6:54	5:42	9:24	8:44	5:41	5:23	4:32
Las Vegas	6:42	5:30	9:05	8:27	5:29	5:11	4:19
Los Angeles	6:56	5:44	9:17	8:40	5:43	5:25	4:33
Miami	7:31	6:19	9:41	9:07	6:18	6:00	5:07
Monsey	6:52	5:40	9:24	8:43	5:39	5:21	4:30
Montreal	6:45	5:33	9:25	8:41	5:32	5:14	4:24
New York	6:53	5:41	9:23	8:43	5:39	5:21	4:31
Orlando	7:33	6:21	9:47	9:12	6:21	6:03	5:09
Passaic	6:53	5:41	9:24	8:43	5:40	5:22	4:31
Philadelphia	6:58	5:46	9:28	8:47	5:45	5:27	4:36
Toronto	7:11	5:59	9:47	9:04	5:57	5:39	4:49
Yerushalayim	6:48	5:32	9:02	8:26	5:31	4:55	4:20
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