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ELUL

דף היומי AUG.-SEPT. '13 - אלול תשע"ג בתולה 🕵 7 מח Wed. ב' דר"ח אלול, שופר X מיטוואך 8 2 Thu. .דאנערש מט 9 ٦ פרייטאג ١ Fri. 10 נא Sat. פ' שופטים שבת הפטרה אנכי אנכי. פרק א' 11 נב Sun. ħ זרנטאג 12 ٦ נג Mon. מאנטאג 13 ۲ נד Tue. דינסטאג 14 Wed п מיטוואך נה 15 נו Thu. ט דאנערש. 16 ٠ נז Fri. פרייטאג 17 יא נח Sat. פ׳ כי תצא שבת הפטרה רני עקרה, פרק ב' רכז 18 Sun יב זרונזאו 19 יג ם Mon. מאנטאג 2Ó יד סא Tue. דינסטאג 21 Wed. טו סב מיטוואך 22 מז . דאנערש. סג Thu. סד 23 Fri. 77 פרייטאג 24 סה Sat. פ' כי תבוא שבת הפטרה קומי אורי, פרק ג'־ד מו 25 Sun לט זרונזאו 26 Mon. ٥ סז מאנטאג 27 סח Tue. XD דינסטאג ממ 28 Wed כב מיטוואך 29 כג . דאנערש. ע Thu. 30 עא Fri. כד פרייטאג 31 Sat. פ׳ נצבים־וילך כה עב שבת הפטרה שוש אשיי פרק ה'־ו' 1 א' דסליחות עג Sun. SEPTEMBER כו זרנטאג 2 כז עד Mon. מאנטאג 3 עה Tue. כח דינסטאג 4 ברית תשע"ד, ע׳ תבשילין, זכור ברית עו Wed. מיטוואך

10 מולד אלול: דינסטאג ביינאכט 2 מינוט מיט 1 חלק נאך

א' דראש חודש FIRST DAY ROSH CHODESH

TUESDAY, AUG. 6, 30 AV

שחרית / SHACHRIS

The usual service for Rosh Chodesh: יעלה ויבא in Shemonah Esrei; Half-Hallel; Kaddish Tiskabel; Torah Reading; Mussaf for Rosh Chodesh etc.

ב' דראש חודש SECOND DAY ROSH CHODESH

WEDNESDAY, AUG. 7, 1 ELUL

שחרית / SHACHRIS

For Rosh Chodesh: יעלה ויבא; Half-Hallel; Kaddish Tiskabel; Torah Reading; Mussaf; etc. Psalm of the Day; ברכי נפשי We begin to blow השר״ח every day at the conclusion of the morning service through the day before Erev Rosh HaShanah. We begin to recite לדוד אורי after Maariv (Nusach Sefard after Mincha) and Shachris through Shemini Atzeres.

(The essential purpose of *Shofar* Blowing is to arouse and even startle people into a heightened awareness of the need to repent. It is the nature of a horn's blast to produce a level of concern, as the Prophet Amos stated (Amos 3:6): "Shall a *Shofar* be blown in a city and the people

not tremble?" Therefore, it is imperative that a person begin to prepare himself with genuine repentance, prayer, and Tzedakah at least thirty days before the Day of Judgement, Rosh HaShanah. "And our Sages, of blessed memory, provide us with the following insight: The first letters of each of the following words -אני לדודי ודודי לי – I am my beloved's and my beloved is mine (Song of Songs: 6:3), spell out the word אלול. Therefore, in the month of Elul one must intensify one's efforts at repentance, prayer, and charitable acts. Our Sages, of blessed memory, provided us with an additional insight: The first letters of each word of the phrase איש לרעהו ומתנות לאביונים – "...each man to his friend (shall send portions) as well as gifts to the needy (Esther: 9:22)," again spell out אלול. This serves as an allusion to the fact that in the month of Elul we must increase our gifts to the poor [Chayei Adam, Siman 138]."

שבת פרשת שופטים SHABBOS PARSHAS SHOFTIM

AUG. 10, 4 ELUL

The *Haftorah* is read from Isaiah 51:12-52:12 (אנכי אנכי). At *Mincha* צדקתך Chapter 1 of *Pirkei Avos*.

שבת פרשת כי תצא SHABBOS PARSHAS KI SEITZEI

AUG. 17, 11 ELUL

The *Haftorah* is read from "דני עקרה" – Isaiah 54:1-10). At *Mincha* צדקתך צדק. Chapter 2 of *Pirkei Avos*.

The final time for the sanctification of the New Moon of *Elul* is the entire night following Tuesday Aug. 20 (15 *Elul*).

שבת פרשת כי תבא SHABBOS PARSHAS KI SAVO

AUG. 24, 18 ELUL

The *Haftorah* is read from Isaiah 60:1-22 ("קומי אורי"). Chapters 3 and 4 of *Pirkei Avos*.

שבת פרשת נצבים־וילך SHABBOS PARSHAS NITZAVIM-VAYEILECH

AUG. 31, 25 ELUL

The Haftorah is read from Isaiah 61:10-63:9 (שוש אשיש). (We do not bless the month of Tishrei.) At Mincha צדקתר Chapters 5 and 6 of Pirkei Avos.

מוצאי שבת קודש DEPARTURE OF SHABBOS

As is customary for the departure of

אתה הוננתנו Shabbos: Shemonah Esrei with אתה אתה אמלואר Kaddish Tiskabel; (we do not say ויהי נועם and לדור ;עלינו ;Havdalah; לדור ;עלינו ;Mourner's Kaddish.

Saturday night, after midnight, or in the early hours of the morning, we begin the recitation of Selichos. The Chazzan dons his Tallis without making a Bracha until later, when it becomes light outside (it is preferable that the Chazzan borrow a Tallis from an individual [not one belonging to the congregation], with the intention that he is not acquiring it even temporarily to fulfill the Mitzvah of Tzizis, thus avoiding any question as to the need for a Bracha). We begin with אשרי; Half-Kaddish, intoned in the special melodies of Rosh HaShanah and Yom Kippur; the usual Selichos for the first day; at the end of Selichos we recline, in the usual fashion, as we say Tachanun; Selichos are followed by a Kaddish Tiskabel. We continue the recitation of Selichos on every subsequent weekday morning through Erev Yom Kippur.

ערב ראש השנה EREV ROSH HASHANAH

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 4, 29 ELUL

(Some are accustomed to fast until noon.) We begin saying the many *Selichos* of *Erev Rosh HaShanah* that include "זכרית, before the pre-dawn sky begins to

brighten; Tachanun during Selichos but not during morning or afternoon prayers. One who arose before dawn and at that time washed his hands in the prescribed manner, three times alternately on each hand, must wash them again three times after dawn (see Mishne Brurah on Orach Chaim 4:4). We say אלמיצה We do not blow the Shofar at all during the day so as to make a distinction between the voluntary shofar blowing of Elul and the obligatory shofar blowing of Rosh HaShanah; התרת

One takes a haircut, and bathes in honor of the approaching holiday. Immersion in a *Mikvah*, not before an hour before midday, is appropriate so that we may enter the Day of Judgement in a state of holiness and purity.

We make all preparations for *Yom Tov*. We make an *Eirev Tavshilin*. We hasten to light candles (20 minutes before sunset). We make the *Brachos* "להדליק נר של יום טוב" over the candles.

May it be the Divine will that our prayers be accepted in mercy and grace, and may we all be written for good long lives full of tranquility and peace.

Repentance prayer and charity avert the evil decree.

MAY THE NEW YEAR OF 5774 AND ITS BLESSINGS COMMENCE!