

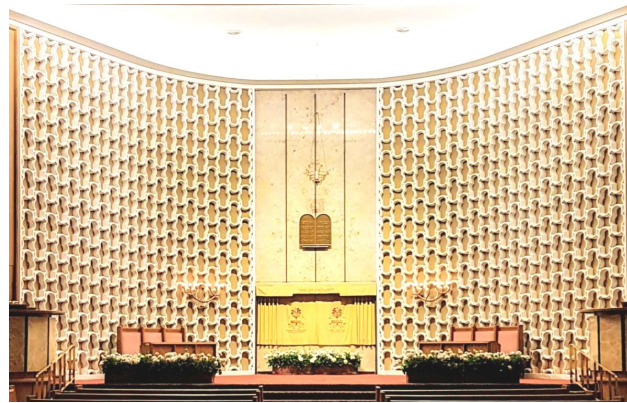
**Shabbat Times**

Candle Lighting: June 19th at 8:45pm (earliest 7:31pm)

Havdalah : June 20th 9:45pm

*Seeing the Dancing Eyes*

I entered the main sanctuary of the Adas Israel, last Friday, for my first Minyan in many months. The majestic room glistened from the myriads of spotlights that illuminated the marble Ark and light mahogany pews. The room was dotted by white cards, carefully placed 2 metres apart, printed with black letters spelling the word "RESERVED".



I had already been processed by the screener at the door, sanitized my hands, and was wearing my mask, with some discomfort. The room began to fill with others as well. I couldn't see their faces but could recognize them all. Above their masks, I could see familiar dancing eyes. These were the few that had returned, with caution, after a journey in the wilderness.

Coronavirus had effectively deconstructed much of our societal structure. It cast us onto islands and into bubbles, untethering us from the moorings of life that keep us in check. Like a leaf unshackled from its branch, we quickly found ourselves surrendering to the soft wind, floating effortlessly with the breeze.

With the announcement of the reopening of Houses of Worship, I realized, with unease and uncertainty, how my anchor was quickly returning. Sitting on the Bimah, over two meters away from the Chazzan, I recognized that structure is my connector. I found myself sitting in my father's chair, with my son by my side, gazing out at rows of pews, each one steeped with their own history. I was enveloped by the milestones that were once celebrated within the walls, by the tears shed for those who were no longer here. I was transfixed by the timeless, ancient, words of our past, and the echoes of the "Amen, Yehei Shmey Rabbah", that remained silenced for much too long.

Things may have appeared starkly different from what they were, but I welcomed back my context and, by extension, my identity. Unknowingly, my leaf yearned to return to the branch.

With easing restrictions, people have slowly begun to leave their islands and expand their bubbles. Slowly, some leaves are returning. The Torah refers to our tribes as both a

branch (Mateh) and a walking stick (Shevet). Walking sticks enable us to march forward with confidence but true lasting strength is determined by our connection to our life-source - the trunk and roots of our traditions.

## Service Times

**I HEARD YOU WERE  
LOOKING FOR A  
MINION.**



### LIVE MINYAN TIMES

Friday Evening: 7:10pm | Shabbat Morning: 9:00am | Shabbat Mincha 6:30pm  
Sunday: 8:30am & 8:45pm  
Monday-Friday: 7:15am & 8:45pm

Preregistration required for live Minyanim at the Adas [Click here to RSVP](#)

(RSVP FOR THIS SHABBAT BY 12:30 PM TODAY)

All LIVE weekday services will ALSO be broadcast on Zoom!

[Click here](https://us04web.zoom.us/j/686871756?pwd=ZqhVj5fmEuA) : <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/686871756?pwd=ZqhVj5fmEuA>

Or Call in at (646) 876-9923 (Meeting code 686871756, Password 038516)

## Condolences

Condolences to Louise & Sol Algranti on the loss of their mother and mother-in-law, Viktoria Ersaban z'l. May her memory be a source of blessing and may the Almighty console the bereaved family among the mourners of Zion and Jerusalem

## Kosher on Wheels



**Kosher on Wheels**  
HAMILTON

The Adas is privileged to partner with Jewish Family Services, Hamilton Jewish Federation, the Government of Canada and the United Way, in "Kosher on Wheels", providing Kosher meals to those vulnerable in our community. Thanks to Max Bida for his incredibly selfless leadership.

Final orders by Monday at noon. Pickup this Tuesday between 3 & 3:30pm.

[Click here to order](#)

## Coming Up on Zoom...

JOIN US AS WE HONOR  
THE CLASS OF 2020!

*All Invited!!*

**DRIVE-IN**  
**GRADUATION**

DRIVE-IN

WED. JUNE 24 @ 5PM

STARLITE DRIVE-IN

59 Green Mountain Rd. E.  
Stoney Creek

DRIVE-OUT

A GRADUATE

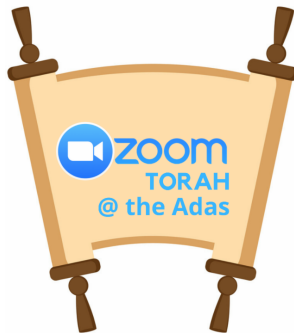


### 53rd HHA GRADUATION | WALKING DOWN IN THE DRIVE-IN!

Join us for an unforgettable evening  
Wednesday, June 24 @ 5:00pm

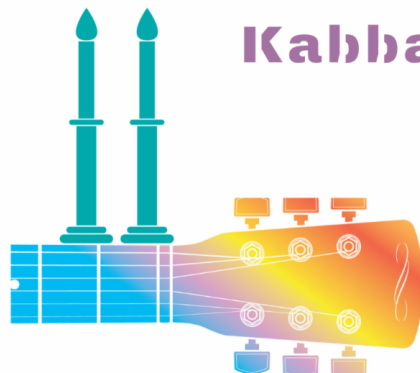
Starlite Drive In Theatre  
59 Green Mountain Rd East, Stoney Creek. (No rsvp necessary).

### ZOOM-TORAH @ the Adas



- **Sundays @ 9:15 am:** with Elie Wolfe (Are do gooders exempt from ritual obligations?)
- **Sundays @ 10:15 am:** with Rabbi Aaron Selevan
- **Tuesdays @ 9:00 pm:** "Talmud" with Rabbi Chanan Weiser (men's class)
- **Wednesday @ 8:00 pm:** "Parsha Bytes" with Leslie Selevan
- **Thursday @ 8:00 pm:** with Rabbi Aaron Selevan

[Click Here to Join Zoom Class](#)



## Kabbalat Shabbat & Havdalah



With Rabbi Morel & Oli Borr

**Still On! Tonight... Capture the Spirit Tonight @ 6:30pm**  
ZOOM KABBALAT SHABBAT

Enter Shabbat with Rabbi Morel, Oli Borr with prayer, song & dance.

[Click Here to Join](#)

(Saturday Night Havdalah on Facebook at 9:55pm)



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**COFFEE TIME WITH FRIENDS**

ADAS ON ZOOM

**This Monday at 10:30am**  
Fill your own mug and Zoom in on your phone or computer  
[Click here on Monday at 10:30am to join](#)

Or call (646) 876-9923 (Meeting ID: 459666235. Password: 037335)

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