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HAPPY CHANUKAH



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Marlene Serkin, Raffle Chairman

To Save

Beth David Winter Office Hours

Monday: 9:00 am – 1:00 pm

Tuesday: 9:00 am – 3:00 pm

Wednesday: 9:00 am – 1:00 pm

Thursday: Office closed

Friday: 9:00 am – 3:00 pm

Chanukah Customs & Practices

When: Chanukah begins on Tuesday, December 20th at night. The last candle is lit on Tuesday night, December 27th and the holiday ends at nightfall on Wednesday, December 28th.

Work is permitted on Chanukah (except for Shabbat). Women have a custom not to work for the first 30 minutes after the candles are lit.

Food: Holiday meals are not required, but we do have a custom to celebrate with special meals. Some people eat dairy on Chanukah, there is a custom to partake of latkes and jelly donuts. Children have a custom to play dreidel and other games related to Chanukah.

Special prayers: We add al hanisim in Grace after meals and the amidah. If one forgets, it need not be repeated. We recite hallel and a special Torah reading each morning. On the Shabbat that coincides with Chanukah we read from 2 Torah scrolls and a special Haftarah for Chanukah. Monday and Tuesday, December 26-27 is also Rosh Chodesh, and we will read from two Torah scrolls.

Candle lighting: We light one oil lamp or candle on the first night, adding an additional candle each night, until we light eight candles on the last night. It is customary to first light a Shamash, a helper candle, from which we light the rest. Candles should be large enough, or use sufficient oil, for the lights to burn for at least 30 minutes.

Placement: Our custom is to place the chanukiah by a window that faces the street. If not placed by the window, it should be placed by the main house door, opposite the mezuzah.

When do we light: Candles should be lit after nightfall (5:20 pm), except for Friday night (see below), or as soon thereafter as possible, but no later than dawn. In emergency situations candles may be lit earlier on condition that there is enough oil or large candles to remain lit until at least 5:50 pm. Please consult the rabbi.

How do we light: We place the first candle on the right side of the chanukiah as we face it, and add each new candle to its left. We light the Shamash, recite the two b'rachot (three on the first night) as found in the siddur, and kindle from left to right. The Shamash is placed in the chanukiah separated from the other candles. It is customary to recite haneiroi halalu and sing maoz tzur following the lighting.

Shabbat and Chanukah: Friday night, December 23rd we light four candles (plus the shamash). Chanukah candles must be lit before Shabbat candles, before 4:18 pm. Enough oil or large candles must be used so that they remain lit until at least 5:48 pm. On Saturday night, December 24th we must light after Shabbat ends, no earlier than 5:18 pm. It is customary to recite havdalah at home before lighting the Chanukah candles.

Travelers: If you are on the road, you are still required to light Chanukah candles. Please consult the rabbi for details and how you can observe the mitzvah.

Note

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