



Bar Mitzvah

of

Robert LaMattina
ראובן בן יהודית ואנתוני
Reuven ben Yehudit v'Anthony

March 18, 2023 | 25 Adar 5783
4:30 p.m.

Rabbi Joel Simon
Cantor Deborrah Cannizzaro
Rabbi Michael Weiss
Rabbi Emeritus Richard Birnholz



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PRESENTATION OF Grandmother – Tessie Travin
TALLIT:

ARK OPENING BEFORE Cousins – Fern and John Siergiej
TORAH READING:

PASSING OF TORAH: Grandmother – Tessie Travin
Mother – Justine LaMattina

PRESENTATION OF YAD: Grandmother – Tessie Travin

TORAH SERVICE: Vayikra
Robby will read from Leviticus 2:4-16

TORAH ALIYOT: 1. Family Friends – Sally and Steve Gleich

2. Grandmother – Tessie Travin
Family Friend – Michelle McCormick

3. Parents – Justine and Anthony LaMattina

4. Bar Mitzvah – Robert LaMattina
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DRESSING THE TORAH: Cousins – Luka Siergiej and Brian Siergiej

HAFTARAH SERVICE: Robby will read from Isaiah 44:1-4

BAR MITZVAH SPEECH: Robert LaMattina

PRESENTATION OF BAR Ben Gersten, Board of Trustees

MITZVAH CERTIFICATE Congregation Schaarai Zedek

AND GIFTS:

ARK OPENING BEFORE Cousins – Mary and Mark Travin
ALEINU:

HAVDALAH SERVICE: Parents – Justine and Anthony LaMattina
Bar Mitzvah – Robby LaMattina

Leviticus 2:4-16

⁴ “When you present an offering of grain baked in an oven, it must be made of choice wheat flour baked into unleavened loaves mixed with olive oil or unleavened wafers smeared with olive oil. ⁵ If your offering is a grain offering made on the griddle, it must be choice wheat flour mixed with olive oil, unleavened. ⁶ Crumble it in pieces and pour olive oil on it—it is a grain offering. ⁷ If your offering is a grain offering made in a pan, it must be made of choice wheat flour deep fried in olive oil. ⁸ “You must bring the grain offering that must be made from these to Adonai. Present it to the priest, and he will bring it to the altar. ⁹ Then the priest must take up from the grain offering its memorial portion and offer it up in smoke on the altar—it is a gift of a soothing aroma to God. ¹⁰ The remainder of the grain offering belongs to Aaron and to his sons—it is most holy from the gifts of Adonai. ¹¹ “No grain offering which you present to God can be made with yeast, for you must not offer up in smoke any yeast or honey as a gift to Adonai. ¹² You can present them to God as an offering of first fruit, but they must not go up to the altar for a soothing aroma. ¹³ Moreover, you must season every one of your grain offerings with salt; you must not allow the salt of the covenant of your God to be missing from your grain offering—on every one of your grain offerings you must present salt. ¹⁴ “If you present a grain offering of first ripe grain to Adonai, you must present your grain offering of first ripe grain as soft kernels roasted in fire—crushed bits of fresh grain. ¹⁵ And you must put olive oil on it and set frankincense on it—it is a grain offering. ¹⁶ Then the priest must offer its memorial portion up in smoke—some of its crushed bits, some of its olive oil, in addition to all of its frankincense—it is a gift to Adonai.

Isaiah 44:1-4

¹ “Now, listen, Jacob my servant, Israel whom I have chosen!” ² This is what Adonai, the one who made you, says—the one who formed you in the womb and helps you: “Don’t be afraid, my servant Jacob, Jeshurun, whom I have chosen! ³ For I will pour water on the parched ground and cause streams to flow on the dry land. I will pour my spirit on your offspring and my blessing on your children. ⁴ They will sprout up like a tree in the grass, like poplars beside channels of water.

Robby and his family welcome you!

Welcome to Congregation Schaarai Zedek's Saturday afternoon Shabbat service. Shabbat, the Jewish Sabbath, begins on Friday evening at dusk and concludes when there are three stars in the sky on Saturday evening. While Shabbat is a day of rest, our community joins in worship celebrating the themes of creation and God's original redemption of the Israelites from Egypt. A reading from the Torah (The Five Books of Moses) and a Haftarah from the Books of the Prophets are part of the Shabbat service.

In addition, at this service, Robby will become a Bar Mitzvah. This Jewish celebration of one's thirteenth birthday is much more than a party. The Bar Mitzvah, (literally child of the commandment), takes on a new understanding of responsibility and obligation, in their lives and in the Jewish community. This is not the end of their Jewish studies, but rather a commitment to continue to study and embrace their Judaism not only through Confirmation, but throughout their lives and with their future families.

Robby has worked very hard to get to this day, and on behalf of his parents, Justine and Anthony, we want to thank you for joining us for this special occasion.

Shabbat Shalom – Wishing you all a Shabbat filled with peace.

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