

# WHAT'S ON AT KEDEM



Welcome to Kedem! We are a predominantly lay-led, innovative and progressive community that celebrates Shabbat, Festivals and Jewish life-cycle events with warmth, fun, music and food! We experience “joyful Jewish life” when we gather to socialize, learn, enjoy and care about the environment.

In March 2020, Kedem, transitioned to become a “virtual” community due to Covid-19. Our Shabbat, Festivals and High Holydays were celebrated on Zoom, together with social and learning events.

On December 26<sup>th</sup> 2020 we had our first service with an in-person option. We are planning a range of in-person events for 2021, which will continue to have a Zoom option. You will have a choice of how to connect with Kedem. Registration with Rosi will be required for each in-person event. Currently, we are planning for in-person events to be held at members' homes, not yet back at The King David School.

Because we are in times of rapid change and uncertainty, keep your eyes on our E news for the latest details, or contact Ruth or Rosi, to check whether events will be proceeding in-person.

In the meantime, we may not now be able to do all of the following things that we usually do, but as soon as we can, we intend to resume:

- Mark a special event in your life with an Aliyah or by sponsoring a Kiddish – for a birthday, anniversary, travel, work or school achievement – we would love to share the naches with you and your family here at Kedem!
- Kedem provides lay leadership for life-cycle events, such as a funeral, minyan, shloshim, and a consecration.
- We provide a B'nei Mitzvah program for children. Adults: consider marking the anniversary of your B'nei Mitzvah with us, or having a ceremony for the first time!

For further details for any of the events below, please contact Rosi on [rosi.kedem@outlook.com](mailto:rosi.kedem@outlook.com), or Ruth Gross [ruth.kedem@outlook.com](mailto:ruth.kedem@outlook.com) or call the office on 0414 328 272.  
Links for Zoom events will be in the E-news or contact Rosi.

**FEBRUARY: See the E news or contact Rosi for the Zoom links, and to confirm if planned in-person options are still viable.**

**Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> February:** Shabbat morning service at 10.00 am. Pre and post Zoom chit-chat, 9.30 -10 and 11.30 -12.00. **In-person and on Zoom. Register with Rosi to attend in-person. Limited numbers.**

**Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> February:** Living Calm: Gentle Jewish Yoga. Relax, meditate, stretch. On Zoom. 9 – 10.30 am. Register with Deb on 0419 340 684 or [deborah.absler@bigpond.com](mailto:deborah.absler@bigpond.com)

**Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> February:** Shabbat morning service at 10.00 am. Pre and post Zoom chit-chat, 9.30 -10 and 11.30 -12.00. **In-person and on Zoom. Register with Rosi to attend in-person. Limited numbers.**

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**Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> February:** Erev Purim party. **In-person and on Zoom. Register with Rosi to attend in-person.**

**Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> February:** Service for the Soul at 10.00 am. **In-person and on Zoom. Limited places to attend in-person. Registration required with Ruth.** A reflective Shabbat celebration with singing, prayer, poetry and meditation. Pre and post Zoom chit-chat, 9.30 -10 and 12 -12.30.

**MARCH: See the E news or contact Rosi for the Zoom links, and to confirm if planned in-person options are still viable.**

**Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> March:** Living Calm: Gentle Jewish Yoga. Relax, meditate, stretch. On Zoom. 9 – 10.30 am. Register with Deb on 0419 340 684 or [deborah.absler@bigpond.com](mailto:deborah.absler@bigpond.com)

**Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> March:** Shabbat morning service at 10.00 am. Pre and post Zoom chit-chat, 9.30 -10 and 11.30 -12.00. **In-person and on Zoom. Register with Rosi to attend in-person. Limited numbers.**

**Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> March:** Living Calm: Gentle Jewish Yoga. Relax, meditate, stretch. On Zoom. 9 – 10.30 am. Register with Deb on 0419 340 684 or [deborah.absler@bigpond.com](mailto:deborah.absler@bigpond.com)

**Friday 12<sup>th</sup> March:** 6 pm. Kabbalat Shabbat. **In-person. Register with Rosi to attend. Limited numbers.**

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**Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> March:** Erev Pesach. First seder tonight. Contact Rosi for hospitality with Kedem families – if restrictions permit.

**Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> March:** First day Pesach service at 10.00 am. Pre and post Zoom chit-chat, 9.30 -10 and 11.30 -12.00. **In-person and on Zoom. Register with Rosi to attend in-person. Limited numbers.**



Tikkun Olam is a core value of Kedem and underpins our social action commitment.

*The Kedem community acknowledge that we are meeting on the traditional land of the Boon Wurrung and Wurundjeri people of the Kulin Nation and offer our respects to the elders, past and present.  
We recognise and respect the cultural heritage of this land.*

If you have a Tikkun Olam project that you would like to initiate, or a project that you would like to suggest we take onboard, contact **Shaun Miller**, Tikkun Olam coordinator, Mobile: **0439 391 377** or email [shaun@shaunmillerlawyers.com.au](mailto:shaun@shaunmillerlawyers.com.au)

### Mazon Australia's Chanukah Latke Bag Project

**Kedem** **MAZON AUSTRALIA**

**Kedem invites you to support Mazon Australia's Chanukah Latke Bag project.**

Mazon Australia is aiming to distribute 150 "Latke Bags" to vulnerable families, so they can celebrate Chanukah by making latkes.

Each bag will be filled with potatoes, oil, onion, eggs and some chocolate Chanukah coins.

**How you can participate:**

At [mazonaustralia.org](http://mazonaustralia.org) donate \$9 per Latke bag.

Contact Ellen 0419 568 016 to assist with delivering the bags on December 10th.

**About Mazon Australia:**

Mazon Australia is a Jewish Response to Hunger, founded with a core belief: in a world of plenty, hunger and malnutrition should not exist.

Mazon is a non-profit organization that allocates donations to prevent and alleviate hunger among people of all faiths and backgrounds.