

This Week at  
 Temple Israel of Long Beach  
 Experiencing the Warmth of Tradition



June 27, 2026  
 12 Tammuz 5786  
 Shabbat  
 Chukat/Balak

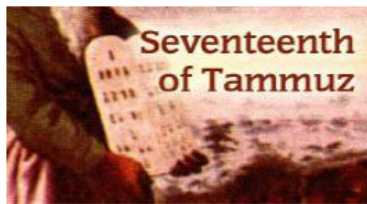


**Candle Lighting**  
**Shabbat - 8:13 pm**  
**Kabbalat Shabbat – 8:23 pm**  
**For week of 06/27/26 - 07/03/26**



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**Thursday July 2nd commemorates**  
**Shiva Asar B'Tammuz**  
**(Seventeenth of Tammuz).**

This date begins three weeks of mourning remembering the destruction of the Temple in Jerusalem.

Five great catastrophes occurred on this day:

1. Moses broke the tablets on Mount Sinai in response to the sin of building the Golden Calf.
2. The daily offerings in the First Temple were suspended during the siege of Jerusalem.
3. Jerusalem's walls were breached prior to the destruction of the Second Temple in 70 CE.
4. Prior to the Great Revolt (Jewish-Roman War 66-73 CE), the Roman general Apostamos, burned a Torah scroll, setting a precedent for the horrifying burning of Jewish books which continued throughout the centuries.
5. An idolatrous image was placed in the sanctuary in the Temple – a brazen act of desecration.

Shiva Asar B'Tammuz is a day of Teshuva (repentance) reminding us of our loss over the destroyed Temple resulting in the Jewish journey into exile.

But, we have the power to transform tragedy into joy. As the prophet Zecharia pronounced, the 17<sup>th</sup> of Tammuz will become a day of "Joy to the House of Judah with gladness and cheerful feasts" upon the redemption of Israel, the rebuilding of the Temple and with our personal commitment to improve ourselves.

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