

ADAR I

The *Molad*: Monday night,
11:57 and 15 portions.

The moon may be sanctified until
Tuesday, the 14th, 6:19 p.m.¹

The first day of Rosh Chodesh is on Tuesday.

“When Adar enters, we increase our joy.”

The second day of Rosh Chodesh is on Wednesday.

4 Adar I, Shabbos Parshas T’rumah.

11 Adar I, Shabbos Parshas T’zaveh.

13 Adar I, Monday.

We do not recite *Tachanun* in the **Afternoon Service**.

14 Adar I, Tuesday, Purim Katan, (the “Small Purim”).

Tachanun is not recited. It is forbidden to deliver eulogies or fast on this day, and it is customary to add a certain festive element to one’s meal.

15 Adar I, Wednesday, Shushan Purim Katan.

Tachanun is not recited. It is forbidden to deliver eulogies or fast on this day.

18 Adar I, Shabbos Parshas Ki Sisa.

We read the *Haftorah* beginning *Vayisblach Achar* (*I Melachim* 18:20-39).

25 Adar I, Shabbos Parshas Vayakhel, Parshas Sh’kalim, and Shabbos M’varchim.

In the **Morning Service**, two Torah scrolls are taken out. Seven men are given *aliyos* for the weekly reading from the first scroll, and a half-*Kaddish* is recited. The *Maftir*, the passage from Parshas Ki Sisa (*Sh’mos* 30:11-16) which mentions the command to give the half-*shekel*, is read from the second scroll.

The *Haftorah* begins *Vayichros Y’boyada* (*II Melachim* 11:17-12:17). (The laws that pertain should one err and recite another *Haftorah* are explained in the section on Shabbos Parshas Mikeitz.)

1. The times for sanctifying the moon are based on **Jerusalem Standard Time**. One should therefore calculate the time for sanctifying the moon according to his location.

We bless the month of Adar II, announcing Rosh Chodesh, which falls on the coming Thursday and Friday.

We do not recite *Av harachamim*.

