

*In the Name of Allah,
The Most Gracious, Most Compassionate*

MYSTL SEMINAR SCHEDULE

All sessions are in the
TAFSEER HALL
unless noted otherwise

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2019

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| 6:20-7:00 PM Mussallah | <h3>A Glimpse Into Jannah</h3> <p>In the Hadith narrated by Sahl b. Sa'd as-Sa'idi (RA), Allah's Messenger (ﷺ) said, "There would be bounties which the eye has not seen and the ear has not heard and no human heart has ever perceived them...." (Sahih Muslim 2825). We go through the struggles of life hoping that one day, In Sha Allah, we will be rewarded with Jannah. But how much do we truly know about the pleasures that paradise has to offer?</p> <p>Mufti Abdul Wahab Waheed</p> |
| 7:05-7:45 PM Mussallah | <h3>The Blessing of Hardship: Finding Peace in Struggle</h3> <p>In the face of struggle, we often find ourselves questioning ourselves and contemplating where to look for tranquility, as Allah says in the Qur'an, "For indeed, with hardship [will be] ease." Unfortunately, we forget this, leaving us at a crossroad not knowing where to look. In this lecture, we will learn where to look for our 'safe haven' to be able to find tranquility in times of despair.</p> <p>Shaykh Yasir Birjas</p> |

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| 8:00 PM | Isha Salah |
| 8:30-9:30 PM Mussallah | <p>Understanding the Reality of Dunya</p> <p>Abu Huraira reported Allah's Messenger (ﷺ) as saying, "This life is a prison for the believer and Paradise for the non-believer." Our love of this dunya distracts us from our journey to Allah (SWT). The sad reality of this world lies in the fact that, as much as we love it, it will never love us back. It's main intent is to keep us from being guided back to the straight path. What is the true purpose of life, and how do we wake ourselves up from the slumber that the dunya has led us to?</p> <p>Shaykh Yasir Birjas</p> |
| 9:30-10:00 PM | REFRESHMENTS WILL BE SERVED |
| 10:00-11:00 PM | <p>Guiding Young Muslims in a Modern Era</p> <p>Adults- Shaykh Yasir Birjas (Mussallah)</p> <p>Taboo Topics</p> <p>Youth-Ustadha Fatima Lette and Mufti Abdul Wahab Waheed (Tafseer Hall)</p> |

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2019

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| 10:00- 10:45 AM Tafseer Hall | <p>Taking a Step Back: The Serenity of Worship</p> <p>Many times, we find it difficult to find pleasure in our ibadah. We see our five daily salah as a burden and fasting as just abstaining from food and drink, while all these acts are there to open our hearts to Allah. In this lecture, we will discuss how our worship is our key to moving closer to Allah without feeling burdened by it.</p> <p>Ustadha Fatima Lette</p> |
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| <p>10:50-11:35 AM Tafseer Hall</p> | <p>At the Frontier: The Obligation to Our Community</p> <p>Allah (SWT) says in Surah Raad, "Indeed, Allah will not change the condition of a people until they change what is in themselves." We often complain about the issues that we see in the Muslim community, but what do we do to as members of the community to fix those issues? If we were not here, would our community miss us? Would they remember our contributions? What have we done to help our communities grow in all aspects?</p> <p>Mufti Minhajuddin Ahmed</p> |
| <p>11:40-12:40 PM Tafseer Hall</p> | <p>The Psyche's Disease: Overcoming Addiction</p> <p>In Surah Al-Araf, Allah says, "O children of Adam, take your adornment at every masjid, and eat and drink, but be not excessive. Indeed, He likes not those who commit excess." Clearly, Allah has already set boundaries for us to stay within. Despite this, we sometimes find ourselves out of this fold of moderation. In this lecture, we will cover how to return to a state that pleases Allah.</p> <p>Imam Khalid Latif and Ustadha Fatima Lette</p> |
| <p>12:40-1:15 PM</p> | <p>LUNCH BREAK</p> |
| <p>1:30 PM</p> | <p>DHUHR SALAH</p> |

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| <p>2:15-3:15 PM Tafseer Hall</p> | <p>Establishing an Islamic World-view: The Qur'anic Essence of Morality</p> <p>Allah (SWT) says in numerous ayat throughout the Quran, "This is the Book about which there is no doubt, a guidance for those conscious of Allah". Morality has become a very contested issue among people of different faiths and backgrounds. Mainstream Muslims are often challenged in the media, academia, and politics about being "backwards" or "following a stricter interpretation of Islam". How do we respond to these allegations, and engage in the 21st century without compromising our own moral values?</p> <p>Imam Khalid Latif and Ustadha Zaynab Ansari</p> |
| <p>3:30 PM</p> | <p>Asr Salah</p> |
| <p>3:45-4:45 PM Tafseer Hall</p> | <p>Q&A</p> <p>InshaAllah, we will have time to ask direct questions from our esteemed panel of scholars.</p> <p>Mufti Abdul Wahab Waheed, Shaykh Hamzah Imtiaz, and Ustadha Zaynab Ansari</p> |
| <p>5:00 PM</p> | <p>Maghreb SALAH</p> |
| <p>5:20-5:50 PM Tafseer Hall</p> | <p>College in the 21st Century</p> <p>Various College MSA presidents will come and speak on how they are able to create a healthy atmosphere in the college setting for students and how we can attain Paradise at any stage in our life.</p> <p>MSA Presidents</p> |

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6:00- 6:30 PM

Split Session

“There has certainly been for you in the Messenger of Allah an excellent example for anyone whose hope is in Allah and the Last Day and [who] remembers Allah often”,(Surah Ahzab, Ayah 21). The Messenger of Allah (SAW) was sent as a perfect example to each and every one of us. His blessed biography holds lessons for the believer in every state of his/her life. The Prophet(SAW) was a son, a husband, a father, a community member, a leader, he was the bastion of Islam, the “walking Quran”.

Adults- Shaykh Hamzah Imtiaz and Mufti Abdul Wahab Waheed (Mussallah)

Youth- Ustadha Fatima Lette (Tafseer Hall)

6:30-7:05 PM
Tafseer Hall

Safeguarding Faith Through Trials and Tribulations

Allah (SWT) says in Surah Baqarah, “God does not burden any soul with more than it can bear...”.

Our faith in Allah (SWT) is tested time and again by the struggles and hardships that this dunya leads. Whether it might be a theological or spiritual issue, we find ourselves being challenged at every turn. How do we keep our faith in Allah strong in times of difficulties and spiritual lows?

-Mufti Minhajuddin Ahmed

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7:20 PM - 10:00
PM

SEMINAR BANQUET

Tickets are
required for the
seminar banquet.

Dinner+ Key Note

Enjoy and a delicious dinner , and after Isha come listen to Imam Khalid Latif give a key note speech, tying the entire theme together.

Imam Khalid Latif
MYSTL Youth

Entertainment

Come join us for a night of Halal fun and laughter.

Azhar Usman

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2019

11:30-12:15 PM
Tafseer Hall

Attaining Ihsan in an Age of Spiritual Poverty

The Prophet of Allah ﷺ defined ihsan as “worshiping Allah as if you see Him, and if you do not achieve this state of devotion, then (take it for granted that) Allah sees you,”(Sahih Bukhari). Spirituality is often scorned at in the modern age as an “impractical” and “ridiculous” pseudoscience with no real material value. How do we re-orient ourselves in line with the tradition of the Prophet ﷺ and regain that spiritual ability to truly understand ihsan?

Ustadha Zaynab Ansari

12:25-1:15 PM
Tafseer Hall

Understanding Self Control: The Adab of Social Media

It is narrated in Sahih Bukhari that the Messenger of Allah ﷺ said, “Whoever ever believes in Allah and the Last Day, should speak what is good or keep silent.” We live in an age of mass communication that, through the advent of social media platforms, has allowed us to experience information and ideas at a rate unimaginable for most of human history. The ensuing issue arises from the evil intentions and lack of Adab that is displayed across these platforms, resulting in problems such as envy, anger, abuse, and even bullying.

Ustadha Zaynab Ansari

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| 1:30 PM | DHUHR SALAH |
| 1:45-2:45 PM Tafseer Hall | <p>Humility and Mercy: The Wings of Faith</p> <p>Imam Ibn Qayyim Al Jawziyya (RA) once likened the humility of the believers and the mercy of Allah (SWT) as the two wings that allow the mu'min to reach a higher level of spiritual piety. Ibn Qayyim's metaphor allow us to identify a central issue in modern muslim society. Many muslims become arrogant and egotistical in their acts of worship, forgetting the true essence of 'ibadah, while others lose hope in the mercy of Allah and give in to the temptations of this world.</p> <p>Imam Khalid Latif</p> |
| 2:45 PM | Closing Remarks and Dua |
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