

Creative Content Licensing

English

LIVE STREAMING MASSES

Parishes and Schools need to be aware of copyright requirements when it comes to music, whether it is for livestreaming of masses or prayer services, publishing worship aids in print or on-line or, when we are able to gather again in community, via video screen projection. This is done by obtaining a license through One License who represents over 300 music publishers. It is important to obtain a license for legal protection and as a way to compensate music composers for their gifts and creativity.

Music Licensing Requirements for Livestream Masses Beginning April 16, 2020

If your parish is livestreaming masses with music and you don't already have a license to do so, your parish will need to obtain one. One License has just released a new Streaming Only license beginning April 16, 2020 which allows parishes to stream music from their member publishers during your recorded and livestreamed masses on a variety of virtual platforms such as You Tube, Zoom, Facebook, Vimeo, etc. See this helpful article which provides more details about options at One License: <https://news.onelicense.net/2020/04/13/looking-ahead-licensing-options-for-gratis-accounts-after-april-15/>

Worship Aids and Projections

If you are also providing worship aids to your congregation or projecting lyrics on screens you will need to inquire about obtaining an Annual License with podcast streaming from One License. More information about options can be found here at: <https://onelicense.net/options-and-prices>

Citing your Permission to Podcast/Stream

You are also required to cite your license each time you use music in your livestream mass. The podcast/stream must include the following words at the end of the service or on the website containing a link to the podcast/live stream: **"Permission to podcast/stream the music in this service obtained from One License with license #A-000000." (and insert your license number).**

Reporting your Music Use Weekly

Additionally, with One License after the service is over your parish will need to report all music used and the number of services it was used for. There are helpful videos on the One License website that show you how report this information: <https://onelicense.net/church-copyright-overview-video>

OCP Parish Grant Applications

OCP Parish grant applications have been extended until June 30, 2020 and any awarded grants can be applied toward a One License if your parish needs to obtain one. More info on OCP parish grants is available at: <https://www.ocp.org/en-us/parish-grants> .If you have questions or need help contact Mary DiCamillo, OCP Parish Ministry Consultant at maryd@ocp.org or 1-800-548-8749 (ext 5324).