

STATEMENT OF THE OFFICE FOR DIVINE WORSHIP  
WITH REGARD TO THE USE OF THE MUSIC COMPOSED BY DAVID HAAS  
July 20, 2020

The liturgical music composed by David Haas will no longer be used for Archdiocesan and Cathedral celebrations of the Sacred Liturgy. Parishes, religious communities and institutions throughout the Archdiocese of Philadelphia are encouraged to do the same. This is in response to the recent allegations of inappropriate conduct with women and the investigation of these allegations. The Office for Divine Worship stands in solidarity with all victims of sexual violence and harassment and is committed to promoting and maintaining safe environments.

For additional information, please see the statement of the Archdiocese of Saint Paul and Minneapolis, Minnesota : <https://www.archspm.org/additional-statement-regarding-david-haas/>. Also, please see the statement of the National Association of Pastoral Musicians: <https://www.facebook.com/233811427278/posts/10158226946987279>.