

Photos and Videos...

Can we video our wedding?

If you would like to record the whole service you are most welcome: please make your own arrangements for this.

In this Diocese the Bishop's guidelines are that couples getting married or having their children christened are allowed to record the service without paying any copyright fees provided three conditions are met:

1. The rights in the recording and copies of the recording are not sold for profit, apart from to the parents or couple who ordered it.
2. No more than three copies of the recording are made.
3. No part of the recording is to be shown in public.

Those performing in your service (musicians, singers, etc.) also need to give permission for the service to be video recorded and may charge an additional fee. The church organist's fee includes the permission to make a non-commercial video as outlined above but you need to confirm with any other musicians etc. that you engage that they are happy with the arrangements you propose. If you propose to dub recorded music onto the video you will also need a 'PRS Limited Manufacture licence'; see <http://www.prsformusic.com/> but if you are using a professional videographer they should have all the details.

The person making the video must be very discreet, must work by available light and there must be no unnecessary and distracting moving about the church during the service.

Some priests are more particular than others as to where people stand during the service so your videographer should speak to them before the service and take note of their instructions. We have had the unfortunate circumstance that the service has been stopped to move photographers!

Further information for photographers and videographers is in another sheet please make sure you pass it to them.

What about photos....

You are very welcome to have photographs taken both in the churchyard and the church before, during and after the service.

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Don't have too large a crew! There have been some services at St Mary's with a 'large' guest list, two photographers and two videographers and there must have been an inordinate amount of editing to remove the photographers and videographers from the photos and videos.....