

Pope goes HD with Vatican's new high-definition TV

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Pope Benedict XVI delivers his message during his Angelus prayer from his studio window overlooking St. Peter's Square at the Vatican, Sunday, Nov. 14, 2010. (AP Photo/Alessandra Tarantino)

(AP) -- The pope is going HD.

The [Vatican](#) on Tuesday unveiled a new euro4.5 million (\$6 million) high-definition mobile unit to let the Vatican broadcast the pope's Masses, audiences and trips in high definition.

The upgrade, paid for by the Knights of Columbus and Vatican television and offered at a discount by Sony, will let the Vatican keep up with the rapidly developing technology that is increasingly becoming the

norm for broadcasters, documentary makers and others.

[Pope Benedict XVI](#) has suffered several communications gaffes during his five-year pontificate, but the Vatican has been taking steps to bring his message to YouTube, [social networking sites](#) and smartphones.

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