

Vatican considers: How would Moses drive?

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VATICAN CITY - The Vatican, surrounded by Rome, a city with some of the world's most aggressive drivers, issued a "10 commandments for motorists" Tuesday.

The document from the Pontifical Council for Migrants and Itinerant People warns that the car can be "an occasion of sin" -- something pedestrians trying to cross a busy Rome street are well aware of. The council suggests Roman Catholics make the sign of the cross before putting the key in the ignition, the BBC reports.

Among the warnings, which are intended for drivers worldwide, are "Thou shalt not drink and drive" and "Thou shalt not make rude gestures from behind the steering wheel." Drivers are also urged to be courteous, observe speed limits and help crash victims.

"We know that as a consequence of transgressions and negligence, 1.2 million people die each year on the roads," said Cardinal Renato Martino, who heads the council. "That's a sad reality, and at the same time a great challenge for society and the Church."

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