

A photograph of St. Basil's Cathedral in Moscow, showing its iconic multi-colored onion domes and ornate facade. The text 'Today in History' is overlaid in white.

Today in History

October 13, 1990

▲ The plaintive echo of Slavonic chant sounded in Red Square as the first Russian Orthodox service for over 70 years was conducted in St Basil's Cathedral in Moscow

1988: Carbon-dating tests showed that the Turin Shroud, thought to be Christ's burial cloth, was a medieval fake

1992: Thirteen komodo dragons were born in a Washington zoo, the first hatched outside of Indonesia

1996: Damon Hill became F1 World Champion, emulating his late father Graham Hill, a champion in the 1960s

1999: France passed a law giving unmarried cohabiting couples the same rights as married couples