

A photograph of a Saturn V rocket launching from the Kennedy Space Centre. The rocket is white with black markings, ascending vertically. A large, bright orange and yellow flame and smoke plume is visible at the base. To the left of the rocket, a tall, red, lattice-like service structure is partially visible. The background is a clear blue sky with some light clouds.

Today in History

November 9, 1967

▲ **The first Saturn V rocket, carrying the unmanned Apollo 4 spacecraft, was successfully launched from the Kennedy Space Centre in Florida**

1921: The National Fascist Party was created in Italy by Benito Mussolini. It was in power between 1922 and 1943

1965: A huge power failure blacked out much of eastern Canada and the U.S., affecting 30 million people

1989: Jubilant Berliners celebrated the fall of the Berlin Wall

2005: The European Space Agency launched its Venus Express mission to study Venus's atmosphere and atmospheric dynamics in general