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1025<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Christening of Rus

On July 28, 2013 the Ministry of Communications and Informatization of the Republic of Belarus will issue the souvenir sheet "1025<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Christening of Rus".

**Designer:** Ivan Lukin. **Printing:** offset. **Colour:** multicoloured. **Paper:** chalk-surfaced, gummed. **Perforation:** frame 13<sup>1/2</sup>. There are 3 stamps in the souvenir sheet. **Size** of the stamps in the souvenir sheet: 37x52 mm. **Size** of the souvenir sheet: 131x78 mm. While printing the souvenir sheet they used the technology of thermal stamping by metallized foil of golden colour. **Print quantity:** 15.000 souvenir sheets.

The souvenir sheet was printed at the Republican Unitary Enterprise "Bobruisk Integrated Printing House named after A.T.Nepogodin".

Souvenir sheet No. 97



No. 969

Lamentation of Christ (the mid-19<sup>th</sup> cent.)  
5000 BYR

No. 970

Old Testament Trinity (the early 18<sup>th</sup> cent.)  
5000 BYR

No. 971

Christ Pantocrator (the 18<sup>th</sup> cent.)  
5000 BYR



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In 2013 the Slavs of Belarus, Russia and Ukraine are celebrating an outstanding historical event – the 1025<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Christening of Rus.

Belarus, Russia and Ukraine have signed an agreement on the issue of souvenir sheets, first day covers and special cancellations dedicated to the 1025<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Christening of Rus.

The Russian souvenir sheet includes one postage stamp depicting the preparatory composition of the mural painting of the St. Volodymyr's Cathedral in Kiev, "The Christening of Rus" by Viktor Vasnetsov, 1885–1896. It is kept in the collection of the State Tretyakov Gallery, Moscow.

The Ukrainian souvenir sheet includes one postage stamp depicting the mural by Viktor Vasnetsov "The Christening of Kievan Rus", 1885–1896. It is held in the St. Volodymyr's Cathedral in Kiev.

The souvenir sheet of Belarus includes three postage stamps depicting the following icon paintings:

"Lamentation of Christ" (the mid-19<sup>th</sup> century) is kept in the Grodno State Museum of the History of Religion.

"Old Testament Trinity" (the early 18<sup>th</sup> century) is kept in the Polotsk National Historical and Cultural Museum-Reserve.

"Christ Pantocrator" (the 18<sup>th</sup> century) is kept in the National Art Museum of the Republic of Belarus in Minsk.



Colour of the postmark – black.

**Special postmark and FDC**  
designed by I.Lukin.

**Special cancellation** on FDC will be carried out at the Main Post Office of Minsk on the souvenir sheet issuing day.