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1569

circa 1590

1883

1950

2002

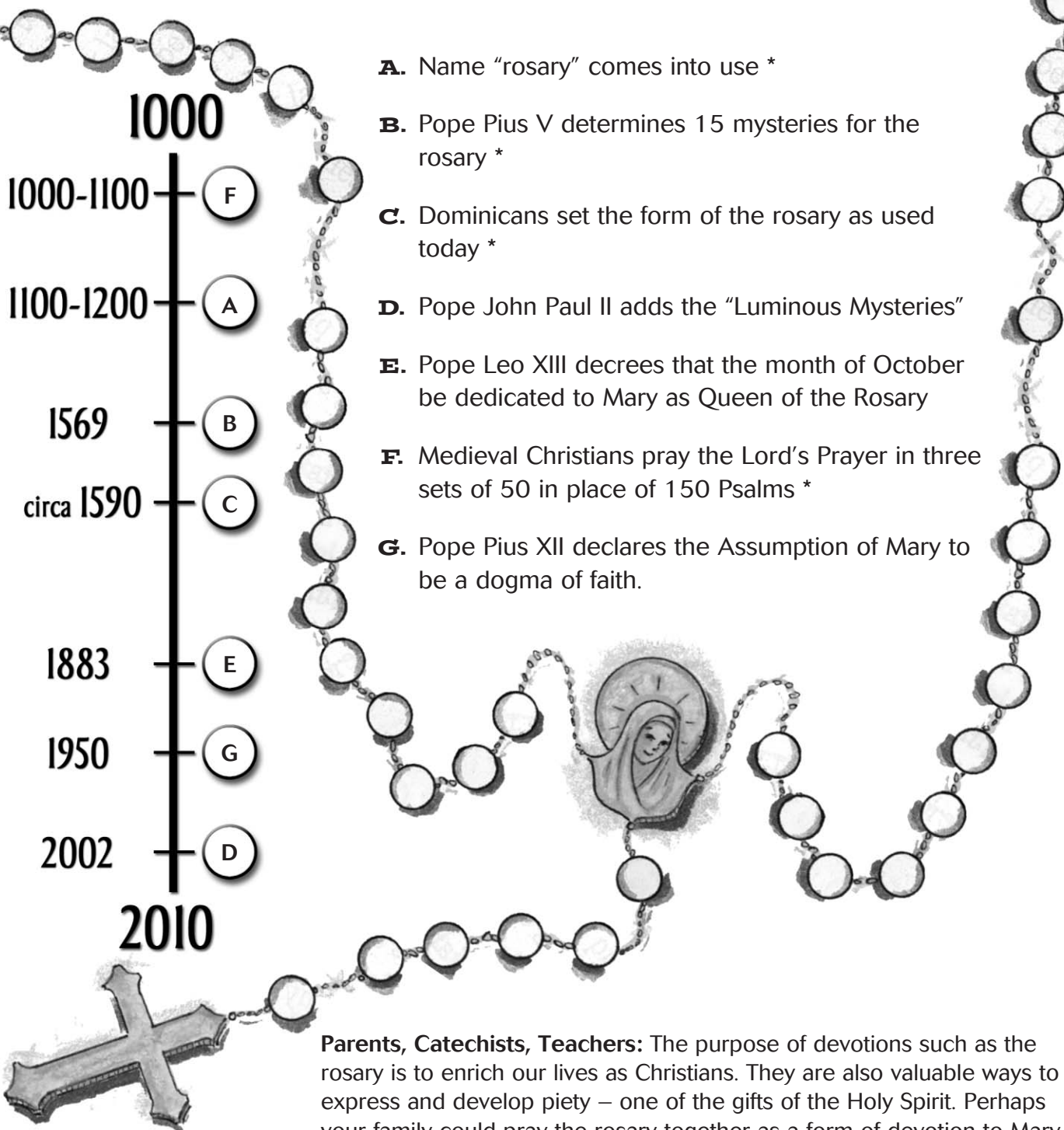
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Parents, Catechists, Teachers: The purpose of devotions such as the rosary is to enrich our lives as Christians. They are also valuable ways to express and develop piety – one of the gifts of the Holy Spirit. Perhaps your family could pray the rosary together as a form of devotion to Mary.