



Asterisked clues are defined by 26a, 13a.

ACROSS

- 1 Style – Queen upset with it on outside of church (9)
- 6 Party, endlessly sumptuous, in Greek style (5)
- 9 Cut back manuscript for tests (5)
- 10 One is enthralled by vibrant leader, one with high concepts (9)
- 11 Egyptian Christian entertaining Young Conservative, a mimic (7)
- 12 Unending path to return, having stomached cut in time in office (7)
- 13 Prevent a great many returning (4)
- 15 Increase in sound – disorderly soccer about to conclude (9)
- 18 Discharges English to lead religious settlements overseas? (9)
- 19 Male with startled expression, like a type of future inheritor? (4)
- 21 Classic Burgundian bishop (2,5)
- *23 Carol rendered badly outside home (7)
- 25 Theatre attendee's time to leave – during twirling of rope? (5-4)
- 26 Newspaper? No rag for chucking (5)
- 27 Wanting action, heading off into US city (5)
- 28 Handling matter badly when attending hospital department (9)

DOWN

- *1 Row over church (6)
- 2 One successful bite (5)
- 3 Cosy home with amazing space – isn't it in Paris? (4-2,3)
- *4 Leave holding note (5)
- 5 Memorial stones showing character created by Charles D? (9)
- *6 Money for distribution, about to be collected (5)
- 7 Echoing sound, a bit of noise in lively encores (9)
- *8 Vehicle I will have to get on (8)
- 14 Miler running over river entering the lake (9)
- 15 Inappropriate hot frolic in part of church (5,4)
- 16 Happen to change direction? (4,5)
- *17 Stone getting cut (8)
- *20 Fabulous bird soaring up, catcher of fish? (6)
- 22 Poet collecting very little money (5)
- 23 Concern about verse getting cut (5)
- 24 Warm spot one overlooked at first (5)