



**Across**

- 1 Do (holding Goodman). The state of a church when occupied (8)
- 5 Complain and French will reprimand severely (6)
- 9 The longest sentence. Similar and very realistic (8)
- 10 Blood type of old queen found in Crewe (6)
- 11 Lover is average. The morning belongs to us (8)
- 12 African – therefore African country (6)

**14** See 19 Down

- 18 He's a very clever young gentleman, don't you know (10)
- 22 Most of day (no day) with northern god (6)
- 23 Strong drinks responsible for ride bans (8)
- 24 Ladies principles (6)
- 25 Sluggish beetle 'n' insect (8)
- 26 Germ cell or type of pie for Lawrence (6)
- 27 Be ingenious in half an acre at Iver, Bucks (8)

**Down**

- 1 Many an afterthought for small growths (6)
- 2 Determined attempt for 6th letter or model (6)
- 3 Initially a fire's lit. Ashes may ensue (6)
- 4 Shorten limbs and go to war (4,2,4)
- 6 Boar and hart combine for home of the smokies (8)
- 7 Falcon, for example somehow parroted (8)
- 8 It mixed with 21 can make you most irritated (8)
- 13 Winter's rig tidied

up by someone who gets the message out (10)

- 15 Impacting something wonderful (8)
- 16 Is mother possibly found on a map (8)
- 17 Listen. Races holding the French small organ (8)
- 19 /14a: Gamine offering me a gin (6,10)
- 20 A livid variety of festival (6)
- 21 Fly back to New York's time (twice) (6)