

Across

- 1 Ease senior clothing shortage (7)
- 5 Deal with reporters besieging only child (7)
- 9 Grand church that is the centrepiece of Suffolk (5)
- 10 Harry guards degenerate demonstrator (9)
- 11 Fail to pick an empty Scrabble tile? (4,1,5)
- 12 Oddly, some urge to steal (4)
- 14 Special date arranged for new business financing (4,7)
- 18 Top manager's routine: playing hangman (11)
- 21 Starts to mix a yolk with a bit of oil to create sauce (4)
- 22 Incite us with very loud ranting? Enough! (10)
- 25 Weekly magazine - The Observer? (9)
- 26 Buddy: a fighter with heart of stone (5)
- 27 Obscure excerpts written in Early English (7)
- 28 When the stars are seen aligning (7)

Down

- 1 Every now and then, upset head teachers split (6)
- 2 Sensual soul encounters onset of lust (6)
- 3 Ultimately, Josef K devoured by Scottish jackdaw: A bizarre unfinished sequel that's nightmarish and surreal (10)

- 4 Traumatized elephant abandoning the troubled country (5)
- 5 Debate both sides of press release? Sorry, no can do (3,3,3)
- 6 Withdrawing component of charger: EV operation's terminated (4)
- 7 In Bucharest, I'm a tenured judge (8)
- 8 Poor result embroils German government in conflict (8)
- 13 See program deliver stored answer (10)
- 15 Tie up queen before noon, holding dry ceremony (9)
- 16 "Can I take a look?" "I'm thinking about it" (3,2,3)
- 17 In excellent health, all right (4,4)
- 19 Little woman turns up in Italy, producing twins (6)
- 20 Mighty strain to contain banks of Tamar (6)
- 23 Feign warning in golf? Just the opposite (5)
- 24 Discontinue stew after losing recipe (4)

