## Polymath 1,024 Set by Gozo

## ACROSS

- 1 Tool for clearing out old mortar from joints (7)
- 5 US actor. star of Cheers and Three Men and a Baby (3.6)
- **10** A rectangular loaf of bread or a 10th wedding anniversary (3)
- 11 European chief negotiator for Britain's exit from the EU (6.7)
- 12 Imaginary kingdom in central Europe, the setting of The Prisoner of Zenda (9)
- 13 Critics' assessments of concerts, gigs and plays (7)
- **15** Author of Scoop and Vile Bodies (6,5)
- 17 Eighteenth letter of the Greek alphabet (5)
- 18 Industrial city and inland port in Nord Rhine-Westphalia (8)
- 20 Mountain range whose highest peak is Mont Mezenc (8)
- 23 John., aka Johnny Rotten, frontman of the Sex Pistols (5)
- 24 US soul singer whose Shout Bamalama was strongly influenced by Little Richard's frantic jump-blues style (4,7)
- 26 British raptor noted for its "Sky-dance" display in late winter and spring (7)
- 27 Descriptive of Marcel Proust's spartan bedroom where he spent most of the last three years of his life (4-5)
- **29** North Shropshire market town where "Clive of India" was born in 1725 (6,7)
- 31 --- le tapis, under discussion (3)
- 32 Bistort (9)
- 33 The Fathers of the -----. established by St Philip Neri. one of the congregations in the Roman Catholic Church (7)

## DOWN

- 1 Scotland's most easterly town; a large fishing port near Aberdeen (9)
- 2 Isles which include Coll, Tiree and Jura (5.8)
- 3 Grass with stiff stems and cylindrical flower spikes, grown for hay and pasture (7)
- 4 Toxic protein derived from castor-oil seeds which is used in experimental cancer therapy (5)
- 5 Dutch seat of government (3,5)
- 6 British actress who played Anna in the film of The King and I (7,4)
- 7 He's on the make: a selfseeker (9)
- 8 The capuchin monkey (3)
- 9 In The Merchant of Venice. Portia's waiting-woman who marries Gratiano (7)
- 14 French dramatist, associated with the Theatre of the Absurd, who wrote Le Rhinocéros (6.7)
- 16 Limestone escarpment in Shropshire, celebrated by AE Housman and Vaughan Williams (7,4)
- 19 Grevish-white metallic element with the atomic number 25 (9)
- 21 Semi-hard, mottled green herby British cheese (4,5)
- 22 Sea fish common in Cornish waters (8)
- 23 Plants of the pea, bean and lentil families (7)
- 25 Items to be crossed out (7)
- 28 Style which deliberately recreates the past (5)
- 30 Wendy Craig's character in Butterflies; or a drowned river vallev (3)

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