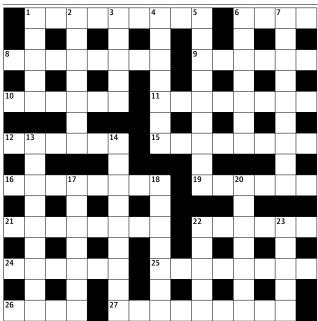
## **Guardian cryptic crossword**



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## **Across**

- **1** Sees sense maybe, within reason (9)
- **6** Chief part of the foot (4)
- 8 Pass on the takings (8)
- 9 It returns more than once to an old master (6)
- 10 Restrictive measures (6)
- **11** A cross section of the church (8)
- **12** Look for a key cutter (6)
- **15** A maritime record? Yes, of course (5,3)
- **16** Deaf people may appreciate blue tits flying around (8)
- **19** A number embracing church creed? (6)
- 21 It's lovely wandering abroad with the French
- **22** Having clear head in panic is unusual (6)
- **24** Pacific island in which one may be found sunbathing (6)
- **25** Island where to fish by the sea, say? (8)
- **26** Holy man turns to a king and emperor (4)
- **27** Vera or city? (4-5)

## Down

- 1 Novelist in conflict, we hear (5)
- **2** One isn't affected with stress (7)
- 3 Presley lives again! (5)
- **4** Cloud starts lifting, admitting sun in the middle (7)

- **5** Job in which no one tense is given a rise (9)
- **6** Dire Straits are recording ones (7)
- **7** Vice has fallen with stringent suppression (9)
- 13 Under sail perhaps, they may tend to the sheets(9)
- **14** Found to be less habitforming (9)
- 17 Row about stray dog (7)
- **18** Watch the dance in which one has a pupil (7)
- 20 Large house where cat is given water in France (7)
- **22** Spectacle in which a bull appears? (5)
- **23** Soundly examine a European language (5)

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