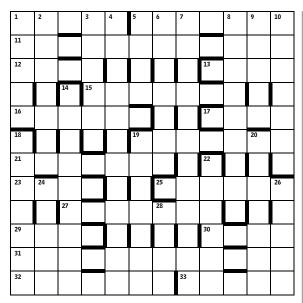
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Across

- 1 Fashion, feature of modernism I think (5)
- **5** RC congregation is engaged in branch of learning after mass (7)
- 11 Joint response to SOS? Signal to act follows after areas rise turbulently (12, 2 words)
- **12** Former monarch, we reflected, came to maturity (4)
- **13** Fashionable style has abandoned orangey dyes (4)
- 15 Chopper for hire? Chopper, independent, following direction to Scotland (7, 2 words)
- **16** Loot from the past I found in grand house (6)
- 17 Bank involved with brief transactions in market (4)
- 19 Showy bird supplied by one seeing to pets on a small scale? (7)
- 21 Penning extremes of eloquence the leader writer briefly got the giggles (7)
- 23 Big fish creating no splash odd characters missed (4)
- 25 Place for tools, second in garden opening presto? Far from it (6)
- 27 Scrap merchants? They're close to collapse (7)
- **29** It portrayed a novelist's life whiskey cut short (4)
- **30** Opposition's tricks, unnatural but not strained (4)
- **31** Create affection in a solemn tiel forged involving love? (12)
- **32** Market contains delicate cut woodland plant (7)
- 33 Feature of staircase in modern wing (5)

Down

- 1 Old soldier's cloak it covers face up (5)
- 2 Perfumer's coinage? Bra's sprayed in rich source (7)
- **3** Trumpeter maybe interrupts cheers for African race (6)
- 4 The No. I cleric revised what's typical of Galilean ideas? (12)
- **5** Uppish beak imprisoning wife, an awkward female (4)
- 6 Just like Pooh CR found in pot upended? (7)
- 7 He acquires legal right in name marred with misuse (12)
- **8** Bodyguard's weapon? A chiv's brandished before anybody (9)
- **9** Apostrophe: abbreviation of 'has' follows one in middle? (5)
- **10** Discharges one after hours in church coming up (7)
- 14 Orderly arrangement: finished one accepted by admired personage (9)
- **18** Russians historically raising temperature a long way for Irish stew! (7)
- 19 People in Scotland suffer endlessly this is used to ease pain (7)
- **20** Numbers found in river no longer large (7)
- 22 Dark spot round square heraldic bearing (6)
- 24 Recipe fed to parents? It's noted for ham and cheese (5)
- **26** Dipper supposedly seen in river and lake (5)
- **28** One in vassalage constrained by sire's needs (4)

The Chambers Dictionary (2014) is recommended.

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Across 1, anag. incl. r, l in anag.; 6, a + anag.; 7, OTT in sny; 8, ou in tors(o); 10, RA in seat; un rake; 18, awe (rev.) in ley.

Down 1, i.e. B-list; 2, no in 1, one; no. in a dun; 3, on in anag.; 5, n in entêté; a in myster(y); 9, anag. + t in noon; 12, yuk a t a; 14, 'daily'; ref Tom D., Olympic diver.

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We regret to announce that, until further notice, we are unable to offer prizes for solvers of the Azed weekly crosswords. The special monthly Azed clue-writing competitions are not affected and will continue as normal. Entry rules for these will appear as usual.