CROSSWORD
No. 15,480 Set by GOZO

All the across clues are thematic and most lack a thematic definition

ACROSS
1 Reservists with one Latin model (6)
4 When exchanged, he pulls seasonal novelty, reportedly (8)
9 Burl Ives lost four bananas (6)
10 Points out Reggie (8)
12 Carl Davis appearing regularly (4)
13, 14 Minor crag? No! (5, 4)
17 Strange wording lacking review, initially, by novelist (6, 6)
20 Dad with broken toe-cap let off (12)
23 Estonia, oddly (4)
24 Joiner with bridge opponents (5)
25 Island panellist is heard (4)
28 French vineyard by a church on outskirts of Avignon (8)
29 Painting medium includes church (6)
30 Poorly French novelist’s dropped English (8)
31 Touch of violet gesso, daubed (6)

DOWN
1 Greek character heading non-governmental organisation for trip (3, 5)
2 Chides, having organised pub attacks (8)

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HANDSOME LOWFAT
ALPHA NUR
LIGAMENT STARVE
IOA ABHEA
DIRAC GROCERIES
EN EWBGU
POPPER SPANNER
SKOLEY
CHARRED GALAXY
ARTOECB
LEAPFROGS ABHOR
LBOITMAI
ORACLE HAPPENED
PKILLG
SCHOOL ETHEREAL