ACROSS
1 Musical from 1960 set in court of King Arthur (7)
5 See 1 Down (3,4)
9 Radioactive gas released by granite (5)
10 The ‘White Rose County’ in England (9)
11 Popular name for a dachshund (7,3)
12 Old name for Pentecost Sunday (4)
14 The early rounds of a sports competition leading to the final (5)
16 To give a benediction to something or someone (5)
19 Ringo ________ drummer of The Beatles (5)
20 English racecourse which hosts the Derby (5)
23 The Spanish word for ‘nothing’ (4)
24 Describes natives of Cagliari and Alghero, for example (10)
27 The eventual companion of Robinson Crusoe (3,6)
28 Popular side dish at an Indian meal – a vegetable fritter (5)
29 Yellow chemical element, symbol S, known as brimstone (7)
30 Highest mountain above sea level, on the China-Nepal border (7)

DOWN
1 & 5 Across: Solemnity marking end of Church’s year, November 26th this year (6,3,4)
2 Between small and large (6)
3 The ‘Red Rose County’ in England (10)
4 ‘Parsley, sage, rosemary and ________’ (5)
5 Traditionally very slow land reptiles with a large domed shell and scaly limbs (9)
6 Name for both Scots and Irish Gaelic languages (4)
7 Stretch of water between, say, Holyhead and Dun Laoghaire (5,3)
8 ‘I am the ________’ (Mohammed Ali, 1963 and often!) (8)
13 Describes a Himalayan ‘snowman’, also known as a yeti (10)
15 Macedonian King in 4th Century BC, known as ‘The Great’ (9)
17 Huge destructive waves, which can follow an undersea earthquake (8)
18 Senior Catholic clergyman, who may elect a pope (8)
21 The capital city of Zimbabwe (6)
22 Universally popular casual upper garment (1-5)
25 Roddy ________, successful Irish author who wrote The Commitments (5)
26 Part of your foot, between your toes and your heel (4)

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