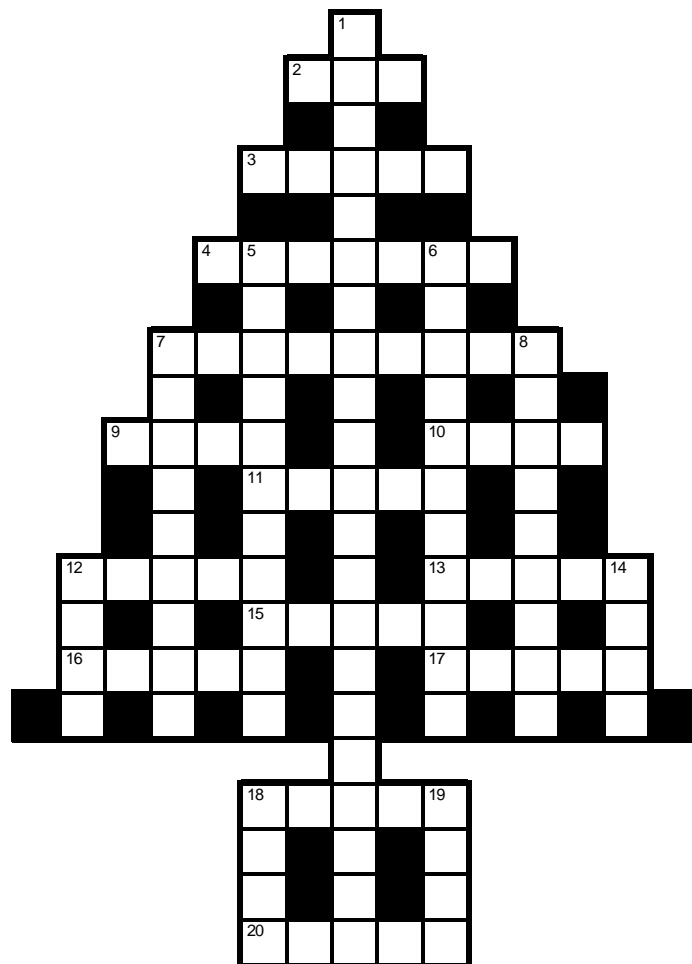


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Across

- 2 Inferno won't finish off the Christmas tree (3)
- 3 Fish flipping its tail for Gabriel, maybe (5)
- 4 Texts Santa Claus in the first instance to get posh car (7)
- 7 Pantomime dames grow these amusing things... one of which you're looking at now (4,5)
- 9 Joseph knocked on their doors in vain at the first sign of nightfall, close to Christmas (4)
- 10 Ancestor of Jesus? No, a Hebrew leader (4)
- 11 A number of Norway spruce, for example, embellished with hangings at the top (5)
- 12 33.3% of what Santa says to the main prophet (5)
- 13 El Niño got colder after crossing Levantine borders (5)
- 15 Determine only to protect the third part of Advent (5)
- 16 People of Palestine are opening raucous bars (5)
- 17 Great Indian's chicken turnover with added game (5)
- 18 Remains after one of the animals in the stable brought in the man (5)
- 20 33.3% of what Santa says before murmuring: 'Oh well...' (5)

Down

- 1 Carol's Googling 'myrrh' in hidden search activity (4,4,7,2,4)
- 5 Hopelessly rash mystics - are you feeling this yet? (11)
- 6 Giving us mince meat in a period of fasting? That's brilliant! (11)
- 7 He of legendarily hot steps was seen dancing inside with camel herders (9)
- 8 11 kings travelled by this insult for a sailor's vehicle (9)
- 12 Hark! The herald angel reports leaders welcoming the last in line (4)
- 14 It's beaten and finally alcoholic spirit is added (4)
- 18 Some peculiar Christmas expert (4)
- 19 Unsolicited mail sent primarily to father with a bit of mistletoe (4)