SPECIAL August 2020 – PUZZLES No 19 CROSSWORD – Religious Symbolism

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ACROSS:

1. & 3 across & 6 across: "____, ____ and _____ ; method of excommunication for one who has committed a particularly grievous sin, such as witchcraft. [4, 4, 6]

3. See 1 across

- 6. See 1 across
- 10. Beam [3]
- 11. Organ of hearing [3]

12. Circular composition of geometric designs symbolic of the universe. Hindus and Buddhists use it as an aid to meditation [7]

- 14. Circular bands worn on the finger [5]
- 15. Manual computing device [6]
- 18: Resort area having mineral springs [3]
- 19. Single entity [3]
- 20. Enclosure for domestic animals [3]
- 22. Crowd, multitude [6]
- 26. Frozen water [3]
- 27. Person noted for courageous action [4]
- 28. Bacterial culture media and food ingredient from seaweed [4]
- 29. Event, happening, incident [8]
- 31. Dome-shaped Buddhist reliquary [5]
- 32. Track or groove made by the passage of vehicles [3]
- 33. Specified quantity of a therapeutic agent [4]
- 34. Symbol which represents a number [7]
- 37. Object of religious veneration; especially a body part [5]
- 39. North Atlantic food fish [3]
- 41. Military force [4]
- 43. Countertenor [4]
- 44. Menial kitchen servant [8]
- 45. Elephant-headed Hindu deity [6]
- 49. Reprise of 28 across [4]
- 50. Archaic good luck symbol appropriated by Nazis [8]
- 53. Dry creek-bed [6]
- 54. Palestinian guerrilla organization and political party [5]
- 55. Game played on horseback [4]
- 56. Adhering to an accepted, traditional or established faith [8]
- 57. Be contiguous to; abut [6]

DOWN:

- 1. Tramp (North American slang) [3]
- 2. Young man [3]
- 3. Soothing, healing or comforting agent [4]
- 4. Alternatively [2]
- 5. Muslim shrine in Mecca toward which the faithful pray [5]

- 7. Din [3]
- 8. Locomotive or supportive limb [3]
- 9. Paschal Festival [6]
- 13. Ancient Egyptian Key of Life [4]
- 14. Archaic letters used to write Germanic languages [5]
- 15. Outer protective garment for the front of the body [5]
- 16. Valuable cash crop plant yielding alkaloids [4]
- 17. Reckless or mischievous act [7]
- 20. Five-pointed star held to have mystical significance [8]
- 21. Physics: point of zero amplitude in a periodic system [4]
- 23. Rodents [4]
- 24. Snooze [3]
- 25. Object of a prolonged endeavour [5]
- 26. One who destroys sacred religious images [10]
- 27. Three thousand six hundred seconds [4]
- 30. Anger [3]
- 31. Acidulous, dry, tart [4]
- 35. Nine-branched candelabrum used in celebration of Hanukkah [7]
- 36. His wife should never have looked back [3]
- 38. Image of Jesus on the cross [8]
- 40. Carry out, perform, execute [2]
- 42. Tower for summoning Muslims to prayer [7]
- 44. Turin's best-known tourist attraction [6]
- 45. Dung of sea birds or bats [5]
- 46. The Self [3]
- 47. Utter, announce, express, state [3]
- 48. Aura [4]
- 51. Main tool in the sorcerer's kit [4]
- 52. Representation of a sanctified Christian personage [4]
- 55. Ratio of the circumference to the diameter of a circle [2]

SOLUTION

