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## **ACROSS**

- SPOILER ALERT: They do Santa's work
- 6. Irish watering hole
- 9. Winner's take
- 14. St. Teresa's home
- 15. São Paulo-to-Rio dir.
- 16. Shaped like a volcano
- 17. List of those working toward their Masters?
- 20. Avocado \_\_
- 21. Pickling ingredient
- 22. Second-row window seat
- 23. Family name of "Vacation" movies
- 26. Make some ratings
- 28. Verizon CEO Vestberg
- 29. Germanic cry
- 30. Guy Fawkes representation, e.g.
- 33. Double-LP sleeve format
- 38. Nit to pick
- 39. Jewish grunt
- 40. "Ask me in a bit"
- 41. Flips out
- 43. Pizzeria best sellers
- 44. Poetical activity
- 45. Drummer's job
- 46. Grille protector
- 50. Baptism V.I.P.
- 54. On the safe side when sailing
- 55. Noisy ruckus
- 57. Japanese pond critter
- 58. "12 Days of Christmas" gift, and hint to this puzzle's theme
- 62. Christmas party, e.g.
- 63. Valuable stone
- 64. Often-swiped novel
- 65. Tennis star no matter how you look at her
- 66. Drink served at a 6-Across
- 67. They're immediately after this clue

## **DOWN**

- 1. Gog's partner in Revelations
- 2. To have, in Paris
- 3. Frauds Vanilli
- 4. Alien from Melmac

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- 5. Vulcano of "Impractical Jokers"
- They're clutched by the mortified
- 7. Typed Ctrl-Z, say
- 8. "I've \_\_\_\_ thinking..."
- 9. Toxic compound banned since the 1970s
- 10. Dye job giveaway
- 11. Stunned
- 12. Round numbers?
- Historical works involving Aegir and Bragi
- 18. Key material
- 19. Do something!
- 24. Uses UPS
- 25. Engage in fighting
- 27. Defeat definitively
- 29. Relaxed comment
- 30. Early bird?
- 31. Do teased with a pick
- 32. Ancient oath
- 33. Test with five subjects
- 34. Apostle's belief
- 35. Like Claritin and Robitussin

- 36. Actress Greta of "Russian Doll"
- 37. Test administrators?: Abbr.
- 39. Jamie's co-worker in Progressive ads
- 42. Hells Canyon home
- 43. Family vehicle
- 45. "La \_\_\_\_" (opera that starts on Christmas Eve)
- 46. Places to do crosswords, or maybe write poetry
- 47. Still kicking
- 48. Party hearty
- 49. Fashion's Geoffrey
- 50. Austro-Hungarian logician Kurt
- 51. "Don't remind me"
- 52. Fire up Insta, say
- 53. Box set components
- 56. 2018 Literature Nobelist Tokarczuk
- 59. Certain Mustangs
- 60. Hot color
- 61. Nigerian language