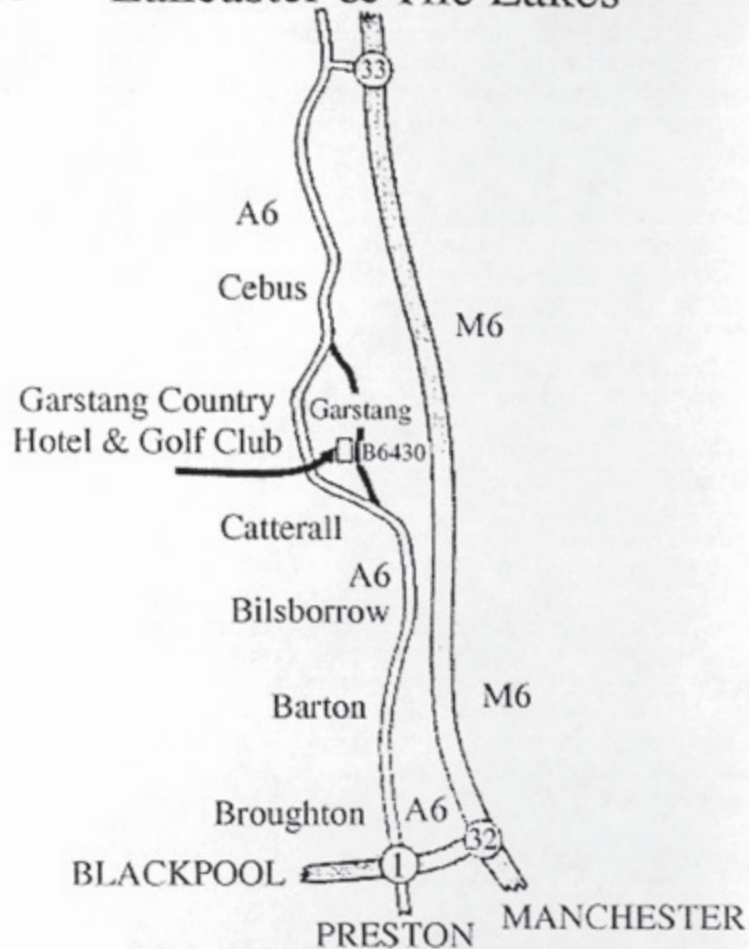


*How to
get
there*

Lancaster & The Lakes



The Village of Garstang is situated on the A6 half way between junctions 32 and 33 of the M6.

The Garstang Country Hotel is one mile south of Garstang on the B6430 which runs through the village.

If approaching from the south take the first right after Rogers ESSO garage (B6430). We are one mile further on the left.

Eighth National Conference for Rural Catholics

13-15 February 2012

Best Western
Garstang Country Hotel
and Golf Club

Surname..... Title.....

Christian Name..... Diocese.....

Address.....

..... Postcode.....

e-mail.....

Telephone.....

What do you do?.....

Any dietary requirements?.....

Anything else we should know?.....

I will be resident/non resident. Single/double room?

Non residents indicate which meals you will eat
(£25.00 per half day, eating or not!)

Monday dinner, Tuesday lunch, Tuesday dinner, Wednesday lunch.

Residents I will be staying for Wednesday lunch: **yes/no**

I enclose a cheque for £.....(in favour of *Our Lady & St Michael*)
and I understand that £100.00 (£25.00 non resident) of it is
a non returnable deposit.

Signed.....

Send your form to
Fr Robert Miller, 2 High St, Dulverton, Somerset, TA22 9HB.

What? If rural prompts a first thought of **farming**, please think again. Most Catholic parishes include rural areas, often packed with commuters or retirees. 2012's 48-hour conference should include presentations on *Field Sports and the Rural Economy*, *The Market and the Moral Economy*, plus a visit each to the Cenacolo Community and a thousand-cow dairy unit. More programme details will follow when confirmed on www.catholicandrural.org.uk.

Why? Most of each diocese is rural, yet traditionally the Bishop takes his title from a town. We try to bridge the gap. Small rural congregations are not failed larger churches, but God's design for rural ministry.

Where? At our most popular venue, the Best Western Garstang Country Hotel and Golf Club, where the food and hospitality are wonderful and access to the golf course popular. You can train to Preston and arrange *in advance* with Fr Harry Doyle (01772 782244) for onward transport. There is plenty of on-site parking. **Late bookings may be housed elsewhere.**

When? The Conference begins at 4.00 pm on Monday 13th February and ends with lunch on Wednesday 15th February 2012.

Who? Any Catholic - clerical, religious, lay - interested enough to come is very welcome. The majority of English and Welsh dioceses send representatives. Behind the conference are Fr Harry Doyle (Lancaster) and Fr Robert Miller and Deacon Vincent Woods (both from Clifton) who support the CBCEW Bishop for Rural Issues (The Bishop of Hexham & Newcastle). Fr Harry breeds prize Suffolks. Fr Robert is a maritime missiologist. Many of those attending do so year after year, testifying to the value of these hours away.

How much? Single £215, double £170 each. Non Residents' £25 per half day includes lunch or dinner. Your booking form must be accompanied by your deposit, which is non-returnable if you cancel. Cheques should be made in favour of: *Our Lady & St Michael Conference a/c*. Many people who attend are subsidised by parish or diocese.

More information? Contact Fr Robert Miller 01398 324217.