



### **When Faith Meets Pedagogy** ...October 27-29, 2005

Once again, CARFLEO will be supporting the **Catholic Curriculum Corporation's When Faith Meets Pedagogy** Conference to be held at the Doubletree International Plaza Hotel on Dixon Road in Toronto. Look for the CARFLEO table as well as our presentation of **The Fr. Angus McDougall Award** for excellence in Family Life Education.

### **Sacramental Preparation for Students with Special Needs**

**...Reconciliation** ...October 2005

Our Sacramental preparation support for teachers of students with special needs in the area of first communion is being followed up by a document on reconciliation. This will be released over the next few weeks.

### **Think Literacy** ...January 2006

Over the summer three teams were busy drafting a Think Literacy Document for Religious Education and Family Life Education. Michael Podgorski of Ottawa Carlton CDSB acted as project co-ordinator assembling the work of three teams into a draft that has been released to the Ministry of Education following a theological review. It is hoped that the document will be available by January, 2006. We will be deciding on inservicing strategies and venues over the next few months. Not only is the document a useful resource in itself but also is an important step in having our subject association recognized as a significant force in Ontario Catholic education. We owe a great debt to these gifted writers.

### **Inservicing**

CARFLEO continues to inservice teachers and administrators throughout the province. For the coming year, special emphasis will be placed on the members of the Northern Ontario Curriculum Co-operative. For these boards, CARFLEO will offer inservices on the Pastoral Guidelines for Students of Same Sex Orientation, the Religious Education and Family Life Curriculum for Grades K to 12, and Adult Faith Development.

### **Website**

CARFLEO continues to improve its website. Over the summer, over 300 annotated links were added to the website. Resources continue to be added on a regular basis. The usage of the website has nearly doubled over the past year. If you have a resource that needs to be shared with other Catholic educators, please email me at [les.miller@ycdsb.ca](mailto:les.miller@ycdsb.ca)

### **Representation**

CARFLEO executive continue to sit on a number of committees: the ICE Curriculum Committee, Catholic Education Week, When Faith Meets Pedagogy Planning Committee, CCC's Catholic Faith in Action Committee, the Ministry of Education Subject Council Association, and the Ontario Teacher's Federation Curriculum Council.

### **CARFLEO Annual Conference** ...April 26-27, 2006

This year's CARFLEO conference and annual general meeting will be held on April 26-27 at a location to be named later. Our guest speakers will include OISE/UT Professor Jack Miller and David Wells of the Archdiocese of Plymouth's Office of Religious Education. Details will follow but please mark down this date in your calendar. This year is also an election year, so if you are considering running for the CARFLEO executive, watch for updates on the website and in this newsletter.

#### **YOUR OPINION...**

How can CARFLEO help you? Let us know your ideas for resources and other supports for Religious and Family Life Education

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