

## ST. FRANCIS COLLEGE

## Office of the President



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Dr. Norman Lamm President Yeshiva University 500 West 185<sup>th</sup> Street New York, NY 10033

Dear Dr. Lamm:

Before too much more time goes by I wanted to write to let you know how much I enjoyed The Religious Thought of Hasidism. I keep it close at hand because the stories are short enough to enjoy in one sitting during a hectic schedule.

When one lives a complicated life, it is often easy to put aside some of the fundamental beliefs and take them for granted. The Hasidim are able to resist that because, in part, they have so involved God into their daily life and into the most ordinary of their routines. It is a beautiful way to live life and it gives us a constant reminder of the truly important. Your fine work brings that out beautifully.

I hope that all is well with you and that the University is doing well. From all accounts I get, it seems to be well on course. Wishing you the very best for the new semester, I am,

Sincerely

Frank J. Macchiarola

President

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