

# The Terrier Within

Franciscan Spirit is a powerful and important weave in the fabric of the St. Francis tradition. Our colors, admittedly a bit Americanized red and blue, rather than the Italian navy and burgundy, are the colors of the Town of Assisi, Italy, the birthplace and home of St. Francis. A bit of Franciscan Spirit and tradition. Founded by a group of Irish Franciscans, we have a mascot of an Irish Terrier named, Scruffy. Scruffy!

Part of the Franciscan Spirit can be found within the college: in what we would like to call the Terrier Within. For five centuries for Franciscans, one century for us, our spirit has been defined by minority. The original group of followers of St. Francis were called friars minor. St. Francis College's interest for the past century has been in minorities. Look through this book at the many different faces: ethnic backgrounds, color, gender. St. Francis spirit lives in the many and varied peoples who populate Brooklyn and the New York Metropolitan area, and who attend St. Francis College. Minority is clearly part of our spirit.

The Terrier Within is joyful. Again, look at the faces in this book. Life-long friends. Fond memories of hanging out in the cafeteria or the lounge or on 1M. Crash course study groups. A table in a far off corner of the library. Places where we share friendship and where we know we will always belong.

The Terrier Within is all of us: our dog(!) days, and our best-of-show days. Look with us at the interior of the past year. Think about us and the past year. Add some of our own reflections on the past year: glue them in the book: make our interior your interior too. Our past year, yours.





# Brother Donald Sullivan, OSF, President

For twenty-five years Brother Donald Sullivan has served as the tenth President of St. Francis College. Beginning his presidency after teaching in our communications department, where he served as chair, and then as Dean of Students. Brother Donald earned his MA in speech from New York University and his PhD in psychology from St. John's University.

As President, Brother Donald has continued to bring the benefits of higher education to the immigrant populations of Brooklyn and the Metropolitan Area. He has made a significant contribution to the past, present, and future of our city. His continuing commitment to ethnic and cultural diversity is a source of pride for our college community.

While we celebrate Brother Donald's twenty-fifth anniversary, it is notable, and we have so noted, that it is the twenty-fifth anniversary of women attending St. Francis College. Brother Donald has enhanced our academic lives, our campus, and our scholarship funds. He has been instrumental in influencing legislation that established New York State's Tuition Assistance Program.

On a final note, we thank him for his hard work and dedication to the St. Francis College community.

