

## **Cathy Cich**

Cathy Cich is the Founder & Administrator of Charity Hospice, Inc. in Wintersville. Cathy is a 1984 graduate of Jefferson Community College where she graduated with an LPN Certificate. She immediately went on to further her education at Franciscan University where she graduated in 1988 with a Bachelor of Science Degree (BSN) in Nursing. Cathy has been involved in hospice for 25 years when she was a volunteer at her former employer in 1985, while she was attending nursing school. After graduating, Cathy worked at St. John Medical Center (now Trinity Medical Center West) for almost one year. She left her position to work as a Hospice nurse and Professional Relations Coordinator for 15 years. She took a huge leap of faith, when she left her position in 2004 to follow her “divinely inspired dream” of starting Charity Hospice. It took two years to get Charity Hospice up and running. Charity has been up and running since April, 2006 and continues to grow every year. She continues to occasionally go out and see patients or do pain consultations for Physicians. She also speaks for all of the local Schools of Nursing as well as here at the University for the Masters in Counseling. Students from Nursing as well as Bioethics have all done clinical at Charity Hospice.

Cathy is a resident of Wintersville, OH and is a member of Blessed Sacrament Church. She also serves on the LPN Advisory Committee at Eastern Gateway Community College and the Oncology Committee for Trinity Health System.