Mary Hrich has been a liturgical musician in the Diocese of Cleveland since 1984, when she first met Paul (her husband) as part of the contemporary ensemble at St. Martin of Tours. A native of Maple Heights, Mary is currently the Director of Liturgy and Music at St. Mary Magdalene in Willowick. Mary’s ministry has included service to the communities of St. Martin of Tours (Maple Heights), St. Monica’s (Garfield Heights), Church of the Resurrection (Solon), St. Michael’s (Independence), Ss. Cosmas and Damian (Twinsburg) and the Community of St. Joseph (Rocky River). Mary graduated from John Carroll University with honors and has a BS in Psychology, with a minor in theology.

In 1993, Mary and Paul founded AbleWRITE, Inc., a technical writing and graphic design agency. In 2000, they added a Proforma franchise to expand offerings. Together, AbleWRITE and Proforma provide breadth and depth in high-quality technical writing, printing, promotional materials, and e-commerce solutions.

In 2012, Bob Soeder and Mary Hrich began their first collaboration: a series of workshops for liturgists and liturgical musicians. Since then, over 250 ministers from the dioceses of Cleveland and Youngstown have attended a Sustaining the Journey workshop, and the Cleveland NPM frequently sponsors continuations of the series. Their time praying together, preparing for the workshops, and attending continuing education together has brought to life their synergistic gifts.

Mary and Paul have 4 children (Tim, Christopher, Jess and Abby) and currently reside in Solon, OH. As their children can attest (often with rolling eyes), Mary believes that if something is worth doing, it is worth doing well. She believes in lifelong learning, reaching higher, and being inspired regularly by even the small things in life. With attention to detail and a passion for good liturgy, Bob and Mary offer the fruits of this collaboration to help others reach a higher level.

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