

## Meet the team:

### Rev Dave Cossey – Vicar

Hello! A very warm welcome to anyone who is reading these words as you explore who we are St Mary's.

I am the vicar at St Mary's. This means that I have overall responsibility of the church whilst being ably assisted by my terrific team of churchwardens, clergy, readers, administrators, our catering team, and many others besides.

A big part of my role is about leading and enabling worship both in our church services, but also importantly to overflow out into the week in learning how we can live our lives to better love God, and one another. I believe that at the centre of this is understanding how we are loved children of God, welcomed into his family by the gift of the Lord Jesus, and enabled to live for him by the power of the Holy Spirit.

#### **Favourite bible passage and why?**

That is a difficult one! If I had to pick just one I think it would be the classic 'John 3:16':

*'For God so loved the world, that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.'*

I choose this because the hope of Jesus' love has transformed my life for the better, and I have frequently witnessed that same power at work in others' lives too. It has been the greatest privilege in my job to walk with others in their own journey – and to see how people grow and develop as they discover God's power at work in them.

#### **Who am I?**

I am married to the wonderful Weiwei, and I am father to two very special little girls, Abigail and Isabella. I grew up in Norfolk, though I have spent a number of years living in Asia serving God there.

I love to drink good coffee, take scenic walks, and through thick and thin – to support Norwich City Football Club.

If I haven't met you yet - I look forward to getting to know you more soon!