

'Of things not seen': Visitor feedback

During the opening exhibition at gallery@oxo visitors left 1,600 comments on 275 pages of 2 visitor books.

Comments varied in their observations: on the exhibition itself; how it left visitors feeling; on Kit and his ministry; and on 'The Church' and its role in society today.

The three most frequent descriptors within visitor comments were '*Beautiful*'; '*Moving*'; and '*Inspiring*'.

Listed below are all of the comments (verbatim) from a single page on each of the 18 days of the exhibition.

Thursday March 3rd

Inspiring dedication

Beautiful snapshots of faith and South London

Very moving photos. Congratulations.

Lovely

Very inspiring, clever and interesting. Definitely worth spreading the news about the Church's work in this way!

Terrific, thought-provoking exhibition

Friday March 4th

Inspirational and thought-provoking. Everyone should look several times at this!

Beautiful and moving work. Enjoyed every image.

Absorbed, moved, and impressed. Could sense your growing identification with subject and faith itself.

Wonderful. Just great.

Very moving, beautiful photography. So authentic. Thanks.

Very interesting and moving.

Saturday March 5th

Beautiful, inspiring. The love shines through the photos but perhaps most importantly, the compassion and humour.

Wonderful!

Inspiring and thought-provoking. Excellent.

So beautiful, calming and re-assuring. Just lovely. Thank you.

Wonderful story. Happy, sad, nostalgic, reflective, uplifting and historic.

Gave me a lovely pause in my day.

Sunday March 6th

Very intimate, especially the images in prayer and with the sick. Nice to see a positive aspect of religion

Lovely exhibition. Hope Jim does another photo-essay

Very interesting project and some really good shots. Well done.

Very educating. Beautiful photos. Love 'Doors'; it tells so much about our society.

You have captured the essence of the man, both his strength and sincerity. This exhibition deserves to be seen several times. Each photograph tells a story within the collective narrative. Beautifully curated. Congratulations.

A place to pause, reflect and feel thankful that there is such a loving and caring community in the heart of London.

Monday 7th March

Wonderful shots. Very inspirational. Black and White is my favourite, so liked that aspect

Beautiful. Uplifting. Presence. Inspiring. Strong imagery, spreading the word through the works. Thank you. Will pass on.

Wonderful. Very moving.

Beautiful, if heart-breaking in parts

Very strong images. Exciting. Congratulations.

Interesting to see all the roles of one job through the photographer's eyes. Thank you.

Tuesday 8th March

We really appreciated your work. Personal and inspiring photography.

A sensitive and enlightening exhibition which reveals much of both the subject and the photographer. Thank you.

Fab

I love the way the photographer captures the most mundane life of someone 'holy' and 'high spirited. Everyone's life can be depicted by the contents of their bed-side drawer.

Lovely. Touching, sombre and at times humorous. Great work.

Such an interesting subject and insight into the little encounters that comprise London life.

Wednesday 9th March

Such an important essay on community in the heart of the Capital. An important part of society to document.

A moving experience. A real depth is achieved by the work of these two men. True witness.

Quite delightful. Black and White is timeless; a fabulous quality to give these scenes.

Nice insight into a local community with some iconic images of UK culture.

Thank you for your good work

Very impressive. The use of B&W gives so much atmosphere to the pictures. Quite memorable.

Thursday 10th March

Some really beautiful images! Very encouraging to see as a vicar wife myself the similar struggles and joys. It was very easy to sympathise and share.

Some beautiful photos, thought-provoking and poignant too. Really appreciated the book with all the background thoughts and info. Really well-presented and honest reflection of life as vicar.

Fantastic, we really enjoyed 'soaking in' these beautiful images. Absolutely fascinating and we look forward to seeing more!!

Great content. Lovely light. Good camera! Good luck!

Beautifully captured story of humble heroism. Reflects the artist's relationship with faith and love too.

Wonderful. What a testimony in B&W.

Friday 11th March

The humanity and compassion is moving.

Very moving images. Lovely study and exhibition.

Beautiful photos. Love the study and well-presented exhibition.

Very moving and compassionate. Some moments captured so well and beautifully. Close to tears.

Deeply moving and inspiring for my own ministry. Thanks.

Fantastic! Loved it. Worth coming to London for.

Saturday 12th March

Lovely exhibition. As a photographer and a Christian, this was both familiar and unfamiliar. So stimulating.

Very nice exhibition. I can feel all the humanism behind each picture.

Thoughtful approach. The engagement of your subject feels right.

Beautiful exhibition. The vicar has a beautiful face too.

Awesome

A great photo-essay. I can feel a lot of loneliness and determination in priest's work.

Sunday 13th March

Complementi! Molto Belle! There's a lot of life in it.

Very interesting and uplifting. Thanks for inviting us in.

Wonderful storytelling. It was very humbling so see how vital this man is to his community. Thank you!

Beautifully done. The combination of research, friendship, and artistry is so inspiring and thought-provoking.

I liked it. Very personal, a puzzle of a rich day. It's funny how many things we do in a day and we do not even realise as we constantly in a rush.

Just beautiful!

Monday 14th March

Fascinating. Beautiful images that capture tenderness and love

So quietly, elegantly human. Wonderful.

Moving images of a community where the spirit is clearly at work in love.

Vivid cross-sectional view of what a parish priest does.

Beautiful stories behind the photos. My favourite was 'Pastoral visit'

So moving to see Kit committed to his community.

Tuesday 15th March

A clever idea; moving and well executed. Real impact. B&W is wonderful.

Fascinating and thought-provoking

Challenging, moving and full of insight

Unique and very powerful. Every photo left me wanting to know more.

Wonderful story

Really lovely. 'Ministry' on both your parts!

Wednesday 16th March

An insight into your wonderful work of love. Thank you.

Wonderful photos. Moving insight into the Christian faith and all of the trials and joys.

Thank you so much for this exhibition. Such perspective. Close to tears.xxx

What a privilege to see such an inspired exhibition. Thank you.

A wonderful exhibition and fantastic to see my grandfather in print!

Fab photos with beautiful emotions.

Thursday 17th March

Excellent exhibition, enhanced by essays written by Kit, Jim, and Katy. I have enjoyed sharing the journey.

Walked in by chance. Lovely exhibition. The Christmas nativity shot reminds me of being young!

Very moving and I found many of the images quite profound. Thank you.

Thought-provoking. I was moved by the photos.

Walked in by chance. Moving and much-needed.

Penetrating photographic insights of a moving ministry.

Friday 18th March

Very moving and inspiring collection. Thank you. Love the sense of connection you capture...of things unseen.

Thank you so much for your ministry and for honouring with such grace and beauty the ministry that the clergy offer. Thank you so much.

Thank you for inviting me in. Photos are wonderful. Made me pause and think.

Wonderful photography, particularly moving of the sick and elderly.

A joy!

Very thought-provoking.

Saturday 19th March

Emotional, inspiring and utterly wonderful

Capturing the compassion and care of Kit, and the love for his congregation, is truly amazing. Great work and stunning pictures

What a lovely story! Inspirational and heart warming!

Made me smile

This was way better than the Tate museum!

Captured some lovely moments.

Sunday 20th March

Touching exhibition!

An unexpected surprise on the Southbank. Tranquil and stunning

Quite interesting. Touching.

Charming and calming. A frank discussion of all that is good (and sad) in the Church.

Touching, beautiful.

Compassionate and respectful portraits with a keen and quirky eye for detail. Bravo!