

HILDERSTONE WI

Summer outing to the Church of Holy Angels, Hoar Cross

On August 20th, 2013, a party of 16 visited Hoar Cross Church. The group included husbands, partners & friends.

In the 19th Century, The Hon Emily Meynell was widowed after only seven years, and she decided to build a memorial to her husband, on land next to her home, Hoar Cross Hall. Work began on the Church in 1872; it was dedicated by the Bishop of Lichfield in 1874 and two new chapels were added by 1900.

We were given an interesting tour by Mr Cross, our guide for the afternoon. We heard the recently restored organ, and saw the beautifully carved Stations of the Cross, made in Antwerp in 1890`s. The carved stone angels and saints impressed and the stained glass windows were a delight. Sheila Harvey took photos for our Archive, and we finished our trip by taking afternoon tea at Byrkley Gardens. It was a lovely day out!

Pat Saul, President.

