RITE OF EPISCOPAL ELECTION

Decree no 273

We Basil I

Via the grace of God and will of the Holy Synod of the Orthodox Church in Italy and as Archbishop of Lazio, Metropolitan of Rome and Primate of Italy along with the consensus of the Holy Synod thus communicate that the **Exarch of all of Australia** has been elected **Archbishop of Melbourne**.

Furthermore, his **Episcopal Consecration** will take place on the 3RD September 2017 in our Metropolitan See.

Hence, with and in the Name of God who is glorified by his Church, we extend our felicitations onto the people of God as we pray for the good and safeguarding of our holy Church.

With fraternal greetings invoking the blessings of the apostles,

+Basilio I

Primate and Metropolitan of the Orthodox Church in Italy.

Issued from our metropolitan headquarters

Vigna di Valle (Rome)

6th August 2017

Commemorating the Lord's Transfiguration.