## Brief Press Release/Newsletter notice

## Help Us to Help a Refugee Family



A new group in town called **Reading POWR** (*People Organized to Welcome Refugees*) is making plans to help a refugee family begin a safe new life in the Reading, MA area in 2018. The family, as yet unknown, will have undergone multiple background checks and will be legally admitted into the country, eligible to work and to pursue U.S. citizenship.

Critical needs now are affordable housing (a 2-bedroom apartment renting for \$1700/month or less in Reading or a nearby community), and funding to supplement a federal housing allowance for a 6-month period of time. Can you help? Those who would like to contribute can send a check (payable to St. Agnes Parish, with "Refugee Support" on the memo line) to Reading POWR, P.O. Box 38, Reading, MA 01867, pay on-line via <a href="www.gofundme.com/readingpowr">www.gofundme.com/readingpowr</a>.

Reading POWR was spearheaded by people at St. Agnes Church in collaboration with Catholic Charities, and now includes individuals and clergy from six area churches. To learn more, visit <a href="http://readingpower.weebly.com">http://readingpower.weebly.com</a>, or <a href="http://readingbower.weebly.com">www.facebook.com/RefugeesReadingMA/</a>